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1	Flohr,Salo	*	½	½	½	½	½	½	½	½	1	1	½	½	1	1	1	1	1	½	½	13.0 / 19	119.25
2	Botvinnik,Mikhail	½	*	½	½	1	0	1	½	1	1	½	1	½	1	½	0	1	½	1	1	13.0 / 19	117.00
3	Lasker,Emanuel	½	½	*	1	½	1	½	½	½	½	½	½	½	1	½	½	½	1	1	1	12.5 / 19	
4	Capablanca,Jose Raul	½	½	0	*	½	1	1	½	1	½	½	0	1	½	1	½	½	½	1	1	12.0 / 19	
5	Spielmann,Rudolf	½	0	½	½	*	½	½	½	0	1	0	½	1	½	½	½	1	1	1	1	11.0 / 19	
6	Kan,Ilia Abramovich	½	1	0	0	½	*	½	0	1	0	1	1	½	½	0	1	1	½	½	1	10.5 / 19	92.75
7	Levenfish,Grigory	½	0	½	0	½	½	*	½	½	½	0	1	1	½	1	1	1	½	0	1	10.5 / 19	92.50
8	Lilienthal,Andor	½	½	½	½	½	1	½	*	0	½	0	1	½	½	½	½	0	1	1	½	10.0 / 19	92.75
9	Ragozin,Viacheslav	½	0	½	0	1	0	½	1	*	0	½	1	0	½	½	½	1	1	½	1	10.0 / 19	86.25
10	Romanovsky,Peter Arsenievich	0	0	½	½	0	1	½	½	1	*	1	0	½	½	½	½	1	0	1	1	10.0 / 19	85.50
11	Rabinovich,Ilya Leontievich	0	½	½	½	1	0	1	1	½	0	*	0	1	½	0	½	0	½	1	1	9.5 / 19	84.25
12	Riumin,Nikolay Nikolaevich	½	0	½	1	½	0	0	0	0	1	1	*	0	½	0	1	1	1	½	1	9.5 / 19	82.25
13	Alatortsev,Vladimir	½	½	½	0	0	½	0	½	1	½	0	1	*	0	1	½	½	½	1	1	9.5 / 19	81.75
14	Goglidze,Victor Arsentievich	0	0	0	½	½	½	½	½	½	½	½	½	1	*	½	½	0	1	1	1	9.5 / 19	79.00
15	Lisitsin,Georgy	0	½	½	0	½	1	0	½	½	½	1	1	0	½	*	0	½	½	½	1	9.0 / 19	
16	Bohatirchuk,Fedor Parfenovich	0	1	½	½	½	0	0	½	½	½	½	0	½	½	1	*	½	½	0	½	8.0 / 19	77.50
17	Stahlberg,Gideon	0	0	½	½	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	½	1	½	½	*	½	1	1	8.0 / 19	65.25
18	Pirc,Vasja	0	½	0	½	0	½	½	0	0	1	½	0	½	0	½	½	½	*	1	1	7.5 / 19	
19	Chekhover,Vitaly	½	0	0	0	0	½	1	0	½	0	0	½	0	0	½	1	0	0	*	1	5.5 / 19	
20	Menchik,Vera	½	0	0	0	0	0	0	½	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	½	0	0	0	*	1.5 / 19	

(190 Games)

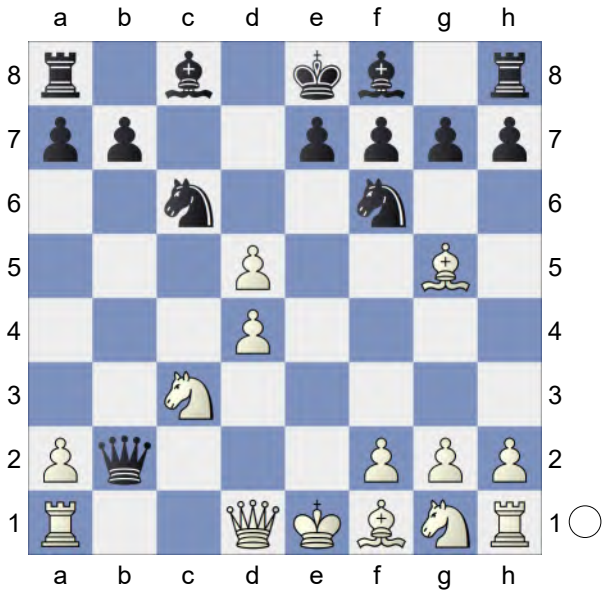
B13

□ **Botvinnik,Mikhail**
■ **Spielmann,Rudolf**
Moscow (1) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

B13: Caro-Kann: Exchange Variation and Panov-Botvinnik Attack **1.c4 c6 2.e4 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.d4 Nf6 5.Nc3 Nc6 6.Bg5 Qb6N**
[6...Be6 7.Nf3 *(7.Be2 Qa5 8.c5 Ne4 9.Nf3 g6 10.0-0 Bg7 11.Nxe4 dxe4 12.d5 Bxd5 13.Qxd5 exf3 14.Bxf3 0-0 15.h4 Rfd8 16.Qb3 Nd4 17.Qxb7 Nxf3+ 18.Qxf3 Qxc5 19.Rac1 Qd5 20.Qxd5 Rxd5 21.Rfd1 Rxd1+ ½-½* 21.Qc4 (2512)-17.c4 (2380) URS-ch Army Frunze 1988 (8)*)* 7...g6 8.Be2 Bg7 9.0-0 0-0 10.Rc1 dxc4 11.Bxf6 Bxf6 12.d5 Bxc3 13.dxe6 Bxb2 14.exf7+ Kg7 15.Rxc4 Qxd1 16.Rxd1 Bf6 30) 1.c4 c6 2.e4 Panov Mainli-Bg5]
[6...dxc4 7.Bxc4 h6 8.Bh4 Qxd4 9.Qxd4 Nxd4 10.0-0-0 e5 11.Nf3 Nxf3 12.gxf3 Be6 13.Bb5+ Nd7 14.f4 g5 15.fxg5 Be7 16.Nd5 Rc8+ 17.Kb1 Bf5+ 18.Ka1 hxg5 19.Nxe7 Kxe7 20.Bxg5+ f6 21.Be3 ½-½ 5. ♘g5 e6 6. ♗d3 ♘gf6_442 (2638)-Moen,A (2584) USCCC-1 Final 7476 corr 1974 (3)]
7.cxd5 Qxb2? 1.97/15
[7...Nxd4± 0.40/17 8.Nge2 Nf5]

(Diagram)

8.Rc1+- Nb4 3.86/19
[8...Nd8 2.24/17 9.Bxf6 exf6 10.Bb5+ Bd7]
9.Na4 Qxa2 10.Bc4 Bg4 11.Nf3 Bxf3 12.gxf3 Black got outplayed after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.00 (flawless) /Black=0.96
1-0



D35

□ **Pirc,Vasja**
■ **Bohatirchuk,Fedor Parfenovich**
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[Kitty Kat]

D35: Queen's Gambit Declined: Exchange Variation And when I thought that I understood well enough these type of IQP positions, I ended up messing up my next one. ChessCalisthenics: 'A59: Benko/Volga Gambit: White castles by hand''A59: Benko/Volga Gambit: White castles by hand RR: 'ChessCalisthenics: 'A59: Benko/Volga Gambit: White castles by hand''' **1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 a6 4.Bf4 Nf6 5.e3 dxc4N**
[5...c5 6.Nf3 Nc6 7.a3 dxc4 8.Bxc4 cxd4 9.exd4 Bd6 10.Bg5 Be7 11.0-0 0-0 12.Ba2 h6 13.Bh4 b5 14.Qd3 Bb7 15.Rad1 Re8 16.Rfe1 b4 17.Ne2 Nd5 18.Bg3 bxa3 19.bxa3 Qa5 20.Rb1 Foisor,S (2274)-

Dhulipalla,B (2414) 10301 Sitges 2019 Ncb4 21.axb4 Qxa2 22.Ra1 Nxb4 Fokin,S-Lanka,Z (2390) USSR 42/(83) 1986]

6.Bxc4 Bd6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bxf6 White is slightly better. **8...gxf6 9.Qf3** 0.13/18 White is more active.

[9.Nf3± 0.61/17]

9...Nc6= 10.Nge2 Bd7 11.0-0-0 -0.09/19

[⌓11.h3 0.29/17]

11...Qe7 0.31/20

[11...f5= -0.09/19]

12.Ne4 f5 13.Nxd6+ cxd6 14.Nc3 0-0-0 15.d5 -0.25/20

[⌓15.Be2 0.25/20]

15...Ne5 16.Qe2 Nxc4 17.Qxc4+ Kb8 18.f4 e5 19.fxe5 -0.54/21

[19.Qb4= -0.17/20]

19...Qxe5

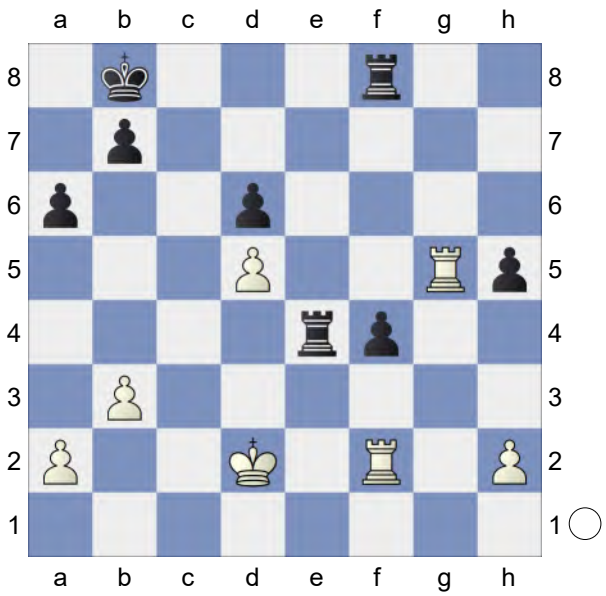
[19...Rc8 keeps more tension. 20.Qd4 dxe5 21.Qb6 Rhg8]

20.Qf4 f6 21.Rhf1 Rdg8 22.g3 Rg4 23.Qxe5 fxe5 24.e4 f4 25.gxf4 The position is equal. **25...exf4 26.Rf2 Rf8 27.Rdf1 Rh4 28.Kd2 h5 29.b3 Bh3 30.Rg1 Bg4 31.Ne2 Bxe2 32.Kxe2** Endgame. KRR-KRR **32...Rh3 33.Rg5 Re3+ 34.Kd2 Rxe4**

(Diagram)

Threatens to win with ...Re4-e5. **35.Rxh5 Re5 36.Rxe5 dxe5 37.Kd3** Threatening Kd3-e4. **37...Kc7 38.Ke4 Kd6 39.h4 Rh8 40.Rh2 Rh5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.08 (flawless) /Black=0.08 (flawless)

½-½



E67

□ **Goglidze,Victor Arsentievich**
■ **Flohr,Salo**
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E67: King's Indian: Fianchetto: 6...Nbd7 **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.g3 0-0 5.Bg2 d6 6.0-0 Nbd7 7.Qc2 e5 8.dxe5 dxe5 9.Rd1 Qe7 10.Nc3 c6 11.Na4N** -0.06/20

[11.e4± 0.33/19 should be considered.]

[11.Bg5 Nc5 12.e4 Bg4 13.Rac1 Ne6 14.Be3 Nd7 15.h3 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 exd4 18.Ne2 Ne5 19.Bg2 d3 20.Rxd3 Nxd3 21.Qxd3 Rfd8 22.Qc2 Qb4 23.Nc3 Qxc4 24.Bf1 Qc5 25.Rd1 Rxd1 0-1 Nunez Correcha,D (1803)-7.♗b3_62409 (2456) Praha (m/1-rapid) 84/106 2002 (7.5)]

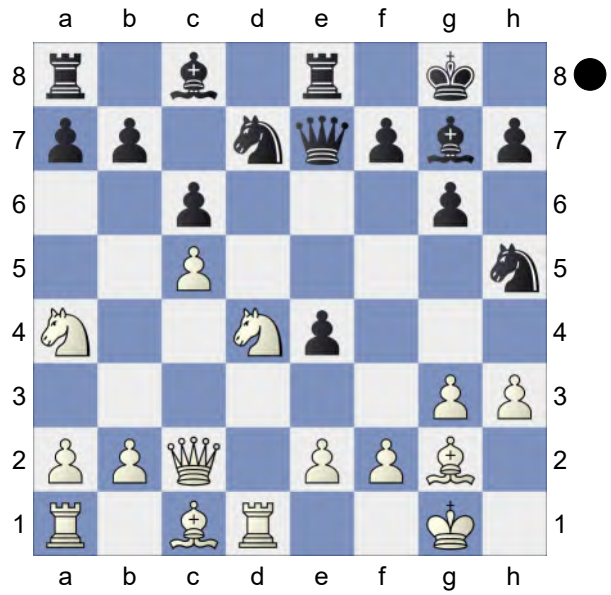
11...Re8 12.h3 -0.32/20

[12.e4= 0.21/21]

12...Nh5 0.38/20

[12...e4∓ -0.32/20 13.Nd4 a6]

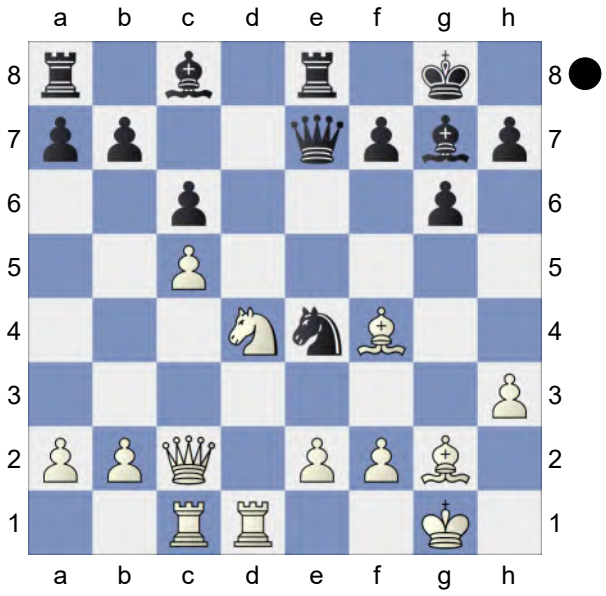
13.c5 -0.95/21
[13.e4!± 0.38/20 stays ahead.]
13...e4∓ 14.Nd4



e3! 15.Bxe3 Nxg3! Deflection **16.Rac1** -1.17/21
[⩲16.Bf4 -0.75/21 Bxd4 17.Bxg3]
16...Nf6 17.Nc3 Against Nf6-d5
17...Nfe4 Prevents Be3-g5 **18.Nxe4** -1.18/20
[White should play 18.fxg3 -0.76/22 Nxc3 Discovered Attack *(18...Nxc5? too greedy. 19.Bf2+-)* 19.Qxc3 Qxe3+ 20.Qxe3 Rxe3 21.Kf2]
18...Nxe4 19.Bf4? -3.48/21
[19.Qb3∓ -1.11/19 is a better defense.]

(Diagram)

Loses the game. **19...Nxf2!-+** Decoy **20.Kxf2** Hoping for Qc2-d3. **20...Qh4+ 21.Kf3 Bxh3 22.Bxh3 Qxh3+ 23.Kf2 Qh4+ 24.Kf3 Be5 25.e3** -7.98/25
[25.Qe4 -3.82/22 Bf6 *(25...Bc7? 26.Qxe8+ Rxe8 27.Bxc7-+)* 26.Qxe8+ Rxe8 27.Rh1 Qxh1+ 28.Rxh1 Bxd4 29.Rd1 Bxc5



(29...Bxb2? 30.Rd7-+) 30.a3]
25...Bxf4 26.exf4 Qh3+ 27.Kf2 Re3 Against Nd4-f3. Threatens to win with ... Ra8-e8. **28.Rg1 Rae8** (→ ...Qh3-h4+) **29.Rg2 Qh4+** Weighted Error Value: White=1.45/Black=0.17 (very precise)
0-1

D14

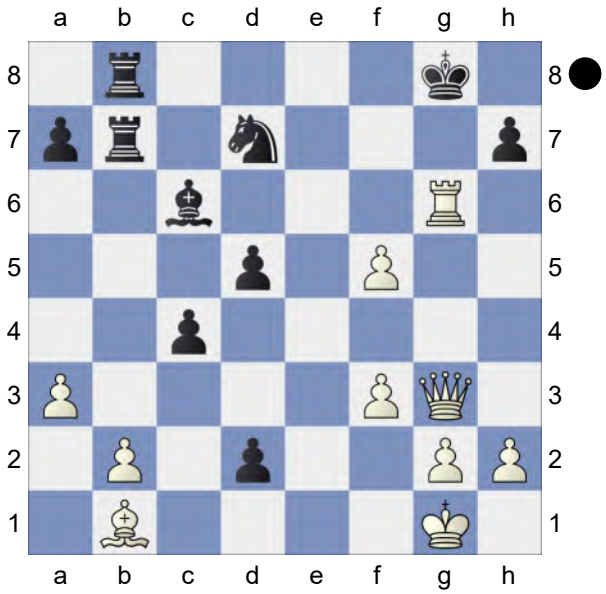
□ **Kan,Ilia Abramovich**
■ **Lasker,Emanuel**
Moscow (1) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D14: Slav Defence: Exchange variation with ...Bf5 **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.cxd5 cxd5 4.Nc3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Nf6 6.Bf4 Bf5 7.Qb3 Na5 8.Qa4+ Bd7 9.Qc2 Rc8 10.e3 b5**
[10...e6 11.Bd3 Nc4 12.0-0 Be7 13.Ne5 b5 14.Nxd7 Qxd7 15.Qe2 b4 16.Nb1 0-0 17.b3 Nd6 18.a3 bxa3 19.Rxa3 Nfe4 20.Qa2 Rc7 21.Ra6 g5 22.Bg3 Nxg3 23.hxg3 Rfc8 24.g4 Kg7 25.Ra5 1-0 21.Qc4 (2568)-Grunfeld 5.h4 c6 6.Bg5 dxc4 s (2272) 5/44 Monte Carlo 1968 (1)]

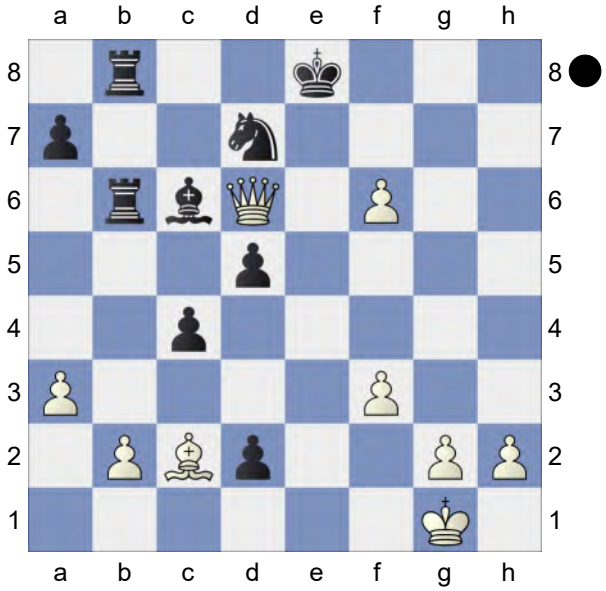
11.a3 e6 12.Bd3 Be7 13.Ne5N
[13.h3 0-0 14.0-0 a6 15.Rac1 Bc6 16.Qe2 Bb7 17.a4 Nb3 18.Rc2 b4 19.Nb1 Ne4 20.Nbd2 Rxc2 21.Bxc2 Nbxd2 22.Nxd2 Nxd2 23.Qxd2 Qd7 24.Qe2 Rc8 25.a5 b3 26.Bxb3 Bc6 27.Rc1 Qb7 ½-½ 5.♘g5 ♘df6 6.♘1f3 (2334)-Van Hecke,B (2358) CXEB-30 Years-B corr CXEB 1998]
13...Nc4 14.Qe2 Inhibits Nf6-h5.
14...0-0 White is slightly better. **15.0-0 Be8 16.Rac1** 0.01/20
[16.Rfc1± 0.40/21]
16...Nd7 17.Nxc4 bxc4 18.Bb1 f5 19.f3 Nb6
[19...g5!? 20.Bg3□ Nf6=]
20.Bc2 Bd6 21.Bxd6 Qxd6 22.Rcd1 Bd7 23.Qd2 Bc6 24.Rfe1 Rcd8 25.Re2 Rd7 26.Rde1 g6 27.Rd1 Rb8 28.Qe1 Rdb7 29.Rdd2 Nd7 30.Bb1 e5 0.02/23
[30...Nf6!∓ -0.40/22 was preferrable.]
31.Qg3= Qe6 2.25/21
[31...Qf6!= -0.29/22]
32.e4+- exd4 2.74/24
[32...dxe4 1.78/20 might work better. 33.d5 *(33.fxe4 f4=)* 33...Bxd5]
33.exf5? -0.01/23
[White should play 33.exd5+- 2.74/24 Qf6 34.dxc6 dxc3 35.Rxd7 Qxc6 36.Rxb7 *(36.Bxf5 Qc5+ 37.Kh1 Qxf5±)* 36...Rxb7 37.Qe5 *(37.Bxf5 Qc5+ 38.Qf2 Qxf2+ 39.Kxf2 gxf5±)* 37...Qb6+ 38.Kf1 cxb2 39.Rc2]
33...Qf6= 34.Re6 dxc3
[34...Qg7 keeps more tension. 35.Nd1 c3 36.fxg6 cxd2 37.gxh7+ Kh8]
35.Rxf6 cxd2 36.Rxg6+!

(Diagram)

Demolition **36...hxg6 37.Qxg6+ Kf8**



38.Qd6+! Ke8 39.Bc2! Hoping for f5-f6.
39...Rb6 0.75/19
[39...Rxb2 40.f6 d1Q+ *(40...Rxc2 41.Qe7#; 40...Rb1+? 41.Kf2+-)* 41.Bxd1]
[39...Rc8!= 0.01/20 remains equal.]
40.f6±



Kd8 ...Kd8-c8! would now be deadly.
[40...Rxb2 41.Qe7#]
41.f7 Kc8 And now ...Kc8-b7! would win.
[41...Rxb2 42.f8Q#]
42.f8Q+ -0.01/19

[Better is 42.Qh6± 0.67/22]
42...Nxf8= 43.Qxf8+ Kb7 Really sharp! **44.Qf6** -2.16/23
[44.Qe7+!= -0.01/21 and White stays safe. Ka6 45.Qc5]
44...Ka6-+ White must now prevent ... Bc6-a4! Active counter play! **45.Qd6?** -3.73/22
[45.Qc3 -2.00/23]
45...Re8 ...Re8-e1+ is the strong threat. **46.h4?** -6.43/22
[46.Kf2 -3.21/21 Re1 47.Qh6]
46...Re1+ Black is clearly winning. **47.Kh2 Rc1**
[47...d1R 48.Bxd1 Rxd1 49.h5∓]
48.Bf5 d1Q
[48...d1B? perishes. 49.Qf4 *(49.h5 Bb3∓)* 49...Rc2 *(49...Ra1? 50.h5+-)* 50.Bxc2 Bxc2 51.Qd4+- *(51.h5 Rxb2 52.Qd2 B6a4+-)*]
49.Bc8+ Ka5 Black used his chance. Weighted Error Value: White=0.59/ Black=0.25 (precise)
0-1

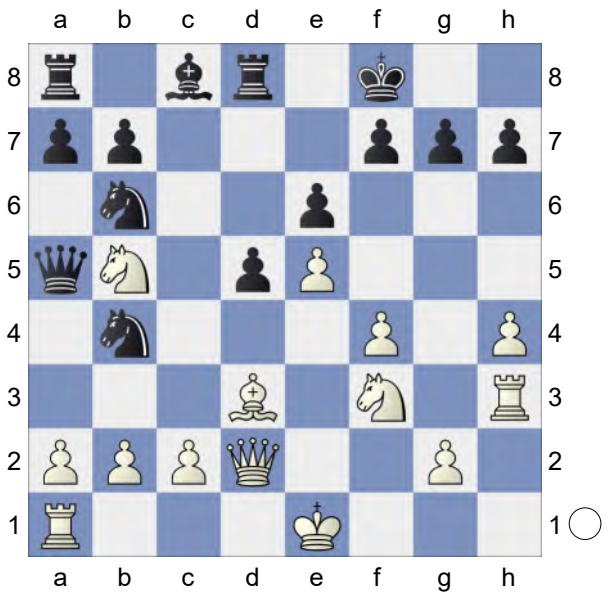
C13

□ **Levenfish,Grigory**
■ **Menchik,Vera**
Moscow (1) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

C14: French: Classical System: 4 Bg5 Be7 main line **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Be7 5.e5 Nfd7 6.h4 c5 7.Bxe7 Kxe7 8.f4 cxd4**
[8...Qb6 9.Na4 Qa5+ 10.c3 b6 11.Rh3 Ba6 12.Nf3 Bxf1 13.Kxf1 Nc6 14.h5 Rac8 15.Kg1 cxd4 16.cxd4 Qb4 17.a3 Qb5 18.Nc3 Qc4 19.Rc1 Na5 20.Qe1 Qb3 21.h6 g6 22.Qh4+ Ke8 23.Kh2 0-1 12.f5 ♕b6 13. ♔b1 b4 (2471)-4. ♗e2 ♘c6 5. h3_35667 (2377) Zagorovsky Memorial Voronezh 1997 (9)]
9.Qxd4 Nc6 Repels Qd4-b4+
[9...Qb6 10.Qxb6 Nxb6 11.h5 h6 12.Nb5 Nc6 13.Nf3 Bd7 14.b3 a6 15.Nbd4 Nxd4 16.Nxd4 Nc8 17.Kd2 Na7 18.c3 ½-½ 11.♘bd2_10127 (2615)-Sukhareva,O (2600) SZ 01 DESC-TURNIER 1999 (6)]
10.Qd2 Qa5N
[10...a6 11.0-0-0 b5 12.Nf3 Nb6 13.Rh3 Bd7 14.f5 Qc7 15.Qg5+ Kf8 16.Rg3 Rg8 17.f6 g6 18.Qh6+ Ke8 19.Qxh7 Rf8 20.h5 Nxe5 21.hxg6 1-0 Schestak,H-10. ♕h7 ♘bc6 11. ♘f3_7441 ENG-ch M corr England 1993]
11.Nf3 Rd8 White is better. **12.Rh3** 0.65/19
[12.0-0-0± 1.10/18]
12...Kf8 1.11/18
[12...Nc5± 0.65/19 was preferrable.]
13.Bd3 0.71/17
[⌓13.h5 1.11/18]
13...Nb6 1.08/18
[⌓13...h6 0.71/17]
14.Nb5
[Reject 14.Bxh7?! Nc4 15.Qe2 Nxb2=]
[14.h5 simplifies h6 15.Nb5 Qxd2+ 16.Kxd2 Na4 17.Rb1]
14...Nb4 1.69/19
[14...Qxd2+± 0.90/17 15.Kxd2 f6]

(Diagram)

15.Nfd4 1.08/20
[15.c3!+- 1.69/19 Nxd3+ 16.Qxd3]
15...a6 White must now prevent ... Nb4xd3+. **16.Nd6 Qc5** 2.18/21
[16...Rxd6± 1.21/18 might work better. 17.exd6 Nxd3+ 18.cxd3



(18.Rxd3 Qxd2+ 19.Rxd2 Nc4±)
18...Qc5]

17.c3 Nxd3+ 18.Qxd3
[Resist 18.Rxd3?! Rxd6 19.exd6 Nc4±]

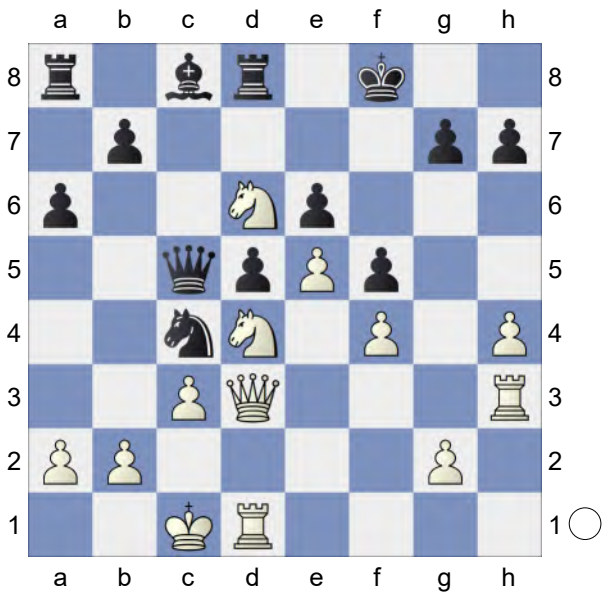
18...f5? 7.01/20
[18...Rxd6 2.03/20 19.Qxh7 *(19.exd6 Kg8±)* 19...Rd8]

19.0-0-0? 1.69/18
[19.exf6 7.01/20 White threatens Qd3xh7! and mate. Kg8 20.Rg3]

19...Nc4? 4.92/19
[19...Rxd6 1.69/18 is a better chance. 20.exd6 Qxd6]

(Diagram)

20.N4xf5 2.78/18 Excellent horsemanship. **20...Nxb2 21.Kxb2 exf5 22.Qxd5** Active counter play! **22...Qxd5 23.Rxd5 Be6 24.Rd4** And now Rh3-d3! would win. **24...Rd7 25.Rg3** Weighted Error Value: White=0.76/Black=0.56
1-0



A11

□ **Lisitsin,Georgy**
■ **Lilienthal,Andor**
Moscow (1) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A11: English Opening: 1...c6 **1.Nf3 d5 2.c4 c6 3.e3 Nf6 4.Nc3 e6 5.b3 Nbd7 6.Bb2**
[6.Qc2 Bd6 7.Bb2 0-0 8.Be2 Qe7 9.0-0 b6 10.cxd5 exd5 11.Nd4 Bb7 12.Nf5 Qe6 13.Nxd6 Qxd6 14.d4 Rfe8 15.Rfd1 Nf8 16.a4 Ernst,H (2771)-10.Ba3 b6 11.ba5 Nh5 (2760) B722) 10...Nc6!? 2010]

6...Be7
[6...Bd6 7.d4 0-0 8.Be2 b6 9.0-0 Bb7 10.Qc2 c5 11.cxd5 Nxd5 12.Nxd5 exd5 13.Rad1 Nf6 14.dxc5 bxc5 15.Ng5 g6 16.Bf3 h6 17.Qc3 d4 18.exd4 hxg5 19.dxc5 Bxf3 20.Rxd6 Qe7 21.Rxf6 1-0 Kulygina,U (2661)-4.d3 ♘f6 (2110) 91/(263) Alushta 2004 (3)]

7.Qc2 0-0 8.Be2 -0.06/20
[8.d4± 0.34/21]

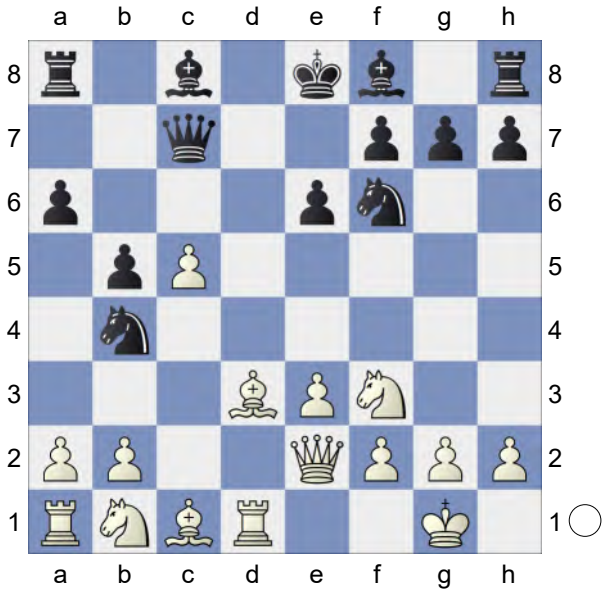
8...dxc4N
[8...b6 9.Rg1 Bb7 10.g4 Ne8 11.g5 e5 12.d4 e4 13.Ne5 Bd6 14.0-0-0 Nxe5 15.dxe5 Bxe5 16.Kb1 Qb8 17.h4 Nc7 18.h5 Re8 19.Bg4 1 Chapter Part4 Step by Step-Games Chapter Part4 Step by Step Game]
9.bxc4 c5 10.0-0 b6 11.d4 cxd4 12.exd4 Bb7 13.Rad1 Qc8 14.Ne5 Nxe5 15.dxe5 Nd7 16.Nb5 Nc5 17.Nd6 Inhibits Bb7-e4. **17...Bxd6** 0.39/21
[17...Qc7= 0.01/21 should be considered.]
18.Rxd6
[18.exd6 with more complications. Qc6 19.Bf3 Qd7 20.Bxb7 Nxb7 21.Rd4]
18...Be4 0.58/22
[18...Bc6= 0.19/19 was preferrable.]
19.Qd2 Nb7 20.Rd4 Rd8 21.Rd1 Rxd4 22.Qxd4 Bc6 23.Bc1 Qd8 0.57/20
[23...Qc7= 0.13/20]
24.Qg4
[24.Qxd8+ simplifies Rxd8 25.Rxd8+ Nxd8 26.f3]
24...Qc7 25.Qg3 Rd8 Inhibits Rd1-d4. **26.Rxd8+ Qxd8 27.Bg5 Qf8 28.h4 Nc5 29.Qa3 h6 30.Be3** A strong pair of Bishops. **30...Qe7 31.h5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.14 (very precise) / Black=0.10 (very precise)
½-½

D28

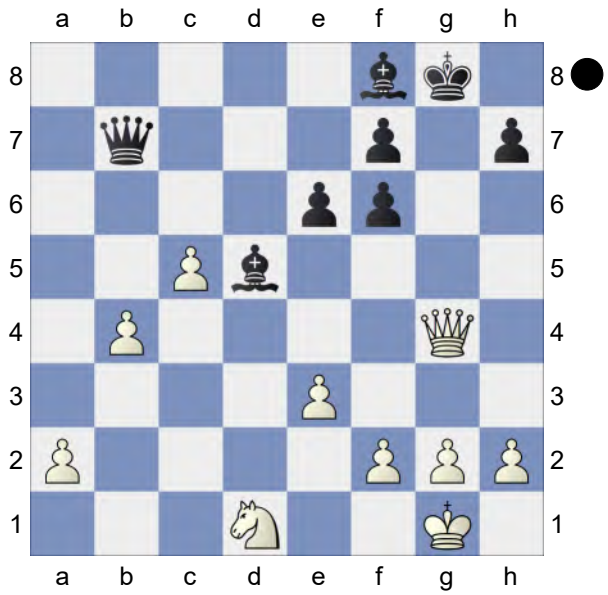
□ **Alatortsev,Vladimir**
■ **Rabinovich,Ilya Leontievich**
Moscow (1) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D28: Queen's Gambit Accepted: Classical main line: 7 Qe2 with early ...Nc6 Current Reputation: Playable for both sides Inf 99/272 Inf 103/(283) **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.e3 Nf6 4.Nf3 e6 5.Bd3 dxc4N**
[5...Nbd7 6.b3 Bd6 7.Bb2 0-0 8.0-0 b6 9.Nbd2 Bb7 10.Ne5
A) 10...c5 11.cxd5 Nxd5 *(11...exd5 12.f4 cxd4 13.exd4 Ne4 14.Nxe4 dxe4 15.Bb5 Nxe5 16.fxe5 Be7 17.Rc1 Rc8 18.Rxc8 Qxc8 19.Bc4 a6 20.a4 Qd8 21.Qe2 a5 22.h3* Georgiev,V (2581)-Jankovic,A (2541) Bosna i Hercegovina 103/(283) 2008*)* 12.Ndc4 Nxe5 13.dxe5 Be7 14.a3 f5 15.exf6 Bxf6 16.Qh5 g6 17.Qh3 Bxb2 18.Qxe6+ Kg7 19.Nxb2 Re8 20.Qh3 Sargissian,G (2658)-Bocharov,D (2602) 68723 Moscow 2007;
B) 10...Qc7 11.f4 c5 12.Rc1 Rad8 13.Qe2 Ne4 14.cxd5 exd5 15.Nxe4 dxe4 16.Bc4 Nf6 17.dxc5 bxc5 18.Ng4 Nd5 19.Bxd5 Bxd5 20.Nf6+ Kh8 21.Qh5 h6 22.Nxd5 Qd7 23.Qxh6+ 1-0 8 Rb1 10...Qa5+ (2099)-7.00 ♘a6 8.d5 (1899) 1st FIDE GP 2012 London ENG (5);
C) 10...Qe7 11.Qf3 Rfd8 12.Qh3 h6 13.f4 c5 14.Rad1 Rac8 15.f5 cxd4 16.exd4 Nxe5 17.dxe5 Bc5+ 18.Kh1 Ne4 19.f6 Qf8 Semi Slav, C-Pseudo Meran Quiet Variatio 093 Linz 2014]

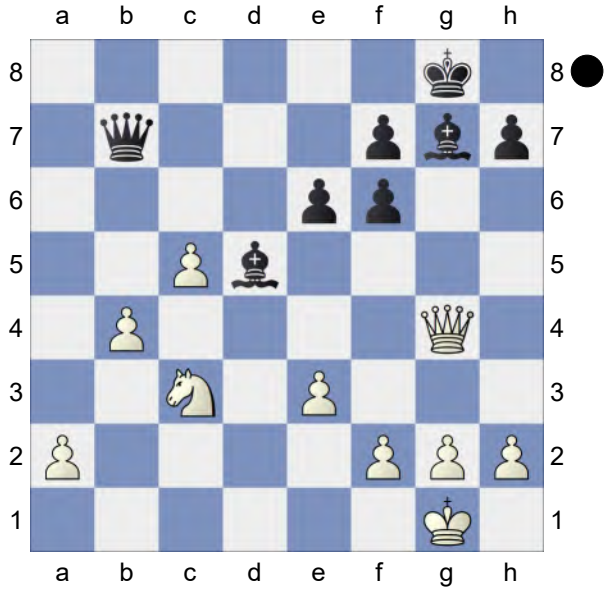
6.Bxc4 c5 7.0-0 Nc6 8.Qe2 a6 9.Rd1 b5 10.dxc5 Qc7 11.Bd3 Nb4



12.Bxb5+ -1.15/22 **axb5∓ 13.Qxb5+ Nc6** ...Bc8-a6 would now be deadly. **14.Ne5** Black is clearly better. **14...Bb7 15.b4** Prevents Ra8-a5. **15...Be7**
[15...Qxe5? 16.Qxb7 Rd8 17.Qxc6++-]
16.Nc3 0-0
[16...Qxe5 17.Qxb7 0-0 18.Bd2∓]
17.Nxc6 Bxc6 18.Qc4 -1.71/21
[18.Qe2∓ -1.32/22 was called for.]
18...Rfd8 -0.63/21
[18...Nd5-+ -1.71/21 Strongly threatening ...Rf8-b8. 19.Bd2 Bf6]
19.Bb2!∓ Bf8 -0.01/22 Black has more active pieces.
[19...Be8∓ -0.61/19]
20.Rxd8= Rxd8
[20...Qxd8 21.b5 Ra5 *(21...Qd2 22.Rb1±)* 22.a4± *(22.bxc6 Rxc5 23.Qa6 Qd2±)*]
21.Rd1 -1.33/23 Prevents Rd8-d2.
[21.b5= -0.20/20 remains equal. Rd2 22.Rb1 *(22.Bc1? Bd5-+)* 22...Bxg2 23.Kxg2]
21...Rxd1+ 22.Nxd1 White is weak on the light squares **22...Bd5** -0.72/20
[Better is 22...Qd8 -1.21/22 23.Nc3 Ne4 24.Nxe4 Bxe4]
23.Qe2∓ Qb7↑ Black is really pushing.
[23...Bxa2? 24.Bxf6 Bb3 25.Bc3+-]
24.Bxf6 gxf6 25.Qg4+



Bg7! Hoping for ...h7-h6! **26.Nc3**



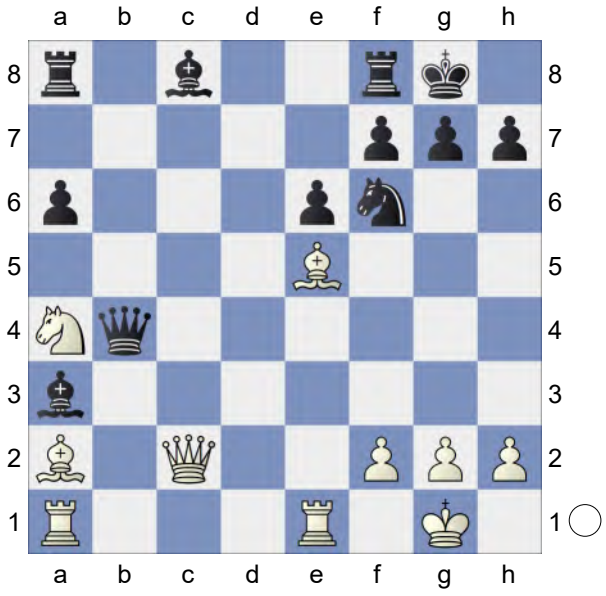
h5! 27.Qh4
[27.Qxh5? Qxb4 28.h3 Qxc3-+]
[27.Qd1 Qxb4]
27...Bc6 And now ...f6-f5 would win.
[27...Bxg2?! 28.b5=]
28.f3 -2.47/22 Loses the game.
[28.h3∓ -1.09/23 was worth a try.]

28...f5-+ 29.Ne2 Qa8 Inhibits Qh4-d8+.
30.Nd4 -2.68/20
[⩲30.Qc4 -1.98/20]
30...Bd5 A strong pair of Bishops.
31.b5? -4.14/20
[31.Qf2 -2.50/19 keeps fighting.]
31...Qa3
[31...Qxa2 32.h3-+]
[31...Bxa2 32.c6 Qa5 33.h3-+]
32.Nxf5 Qc1+ Zwischenzug. Black is clearly winning.
[32...Qxc5 33.Ne7+ Kf8 34.Nxd5 Qc1+ *(34...Qxd5 35.Qb4+ Ke8 36.b6=)* 35.Kf2 Qd2+ *(35...exd5 36.Qd8#)* 36.Kg3 Qxd5 37.Qb4+ Kg8 38.b6=]
33.Kf2 Qc2+
[Worse is 33...exf5 34.Qd8+ Bf8 35.Qg5+ Bg7 36.Qd8+ Kh7 *(36...Bf8 37.Qg5+ Bg7 38.Qd8+=)* 37.Qxd5±]
[33...Qxc5 34.Nxg7 Qc2+ 35.Kg3 Qg6+ 36.Kh3 Kxg7 37.e4=]
34.Kf1 -7.11/21
[⩲34.Kg1 -4.51/23 Qxf5 35.e4 Bd4+ *(35...Bxe4? 36.Qxe4 Qxc5+ 37.Kf1-+)* 36.Kh1]
34...Qxf5 Weighted Error Value: White=0.57/Black=0.23 (precise)
0-1

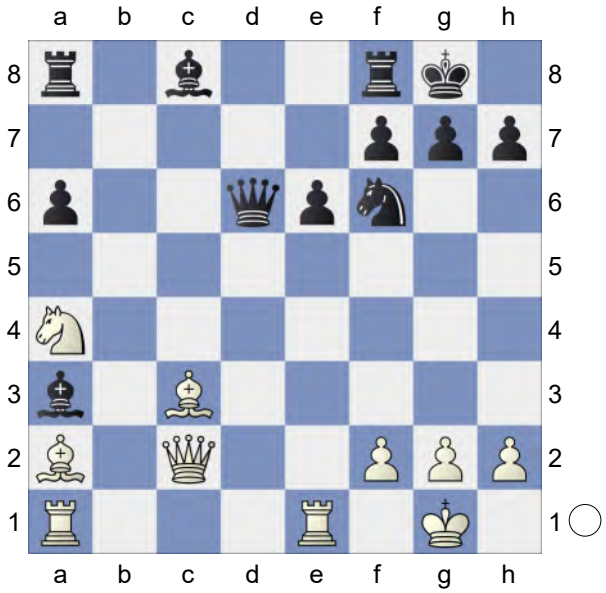
D26

□ **Ragozin,Viacheslav**
■ **Chekhover,Vitaly**
Moscow (1) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D26: Queen's Gambit Accepted: 4 e3 e6 5 Bxc5 c5 sidelines **1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.c4 Nf6 5.Nc3 dxc4 6.Bxc4 e6 7.Nf3 Be7 8.0-0 Nc6 9.Bf4 0-0**
[9...a6 10.d5 exd5 11.Nxd5 Nxd5 12.Bxd5 0-0 13.Ne5 Nxe5 14.Bxe5 Qa5 15.Qf3 Qb6 16.Rfe1 Bf6 17.Bxf6 Qxf6 18.Qxf6 gxf6 19.Re7 Rb8 20.Rc1 Bf5 21.Rcc7 Rbd8 22.Bf3 Be6 23.a3 Rd2 24.Rxb7 0-1 3. ♘f3 d5 4.ed5 ♘f6_28797 (2185)-Nesterov,A EM/CL/Q05-1 ICCF Email 2002 (1.2)]
10.a3N
[10.Rc1 a6 11.a3 b5 12.Ba2 Bb7 13.d5 exd5 14.Nxd5 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Rc8 14/11 2001 16.Re1 Bf6 17.Bd6 Re8 18.Bxf7+ Kxf7 19.Qd5+ Kg6 20.Rxe8 Qxe8 21.Qd3+ Kf7 22.Re1 Ne7 23.Qb3+ Bd5 24.Rxe7+ Qxe7 25.Qxd5+ Qe6 21 Chapter Part-Games Chapter 5 Part 3 Game]
10...a6 11.Re1 b5 12.Ba2 0.02/21
[12.d5!± 0.43/20 was preferrable.]
12...b4= 13.Na4 -0.41/20
[13.axb4= 0.01/19 might be stronger. Nxb4 14.Bb3]
13...bxa3∓ Black is slightly better.
14.bxa3 Bxa3 15.Qc2 Nxd4 0.99/22
[15...Bd7∓ -0.62/19 keeps the upper hand.]
16.Nxd4± Qxd4 17.Be5 Qb4



Threatens to win with ...Bc8-d7. **18.Bc3** -0.01/24
[18.Rab1± 0.43/22 Qe7 19.Nb6]
18...Qd6 0.70/23
[18...Qf4!= -0.01/24 19.Be5 Qb4]
19.Be5 -0.01/19
[19.Bb1± 0.70/23 Rd8 20.Nb6 Qxb6 21.Bxf6 Remove Defender *(21.Rxa3 Qc6∓)* 21...gxf6 22.Qxh7+ *(22.Rxa3 Qb4±)* 22...Kf8 23.Rxa3]
19...Qb4!= Hoping for ...Bc8-d7. **20.Bc3** 0.01/23
[20.Rab1± 0.44/22 Qe7 21.Nb6]
20...Qd6 0.77/21
[20...Qf4= 0.01/23 keeps the balance.]



21.Be5 0.01/18
[21.Bb1!± 0.77/21 Bc3xf6 is the strong threat. Rd8 22.Nb6 Qxb6 23.Bxf6 Remove Defender *(23.Rxa3 Qc6∓)* 23...gxf6 24.Qxh7+ *(24.Rxa3 Qb4±)* 24...Kf8 25.Rxa3]
21...Qb4! 22.Bc3 -0.01/24 White is more active.
[Better is 22.Rab1± 0.79/20 Qe7 23.Nb6]
22...Qd6 Weighted Error Value: White=0.48/Black=0.40
½-½

E37

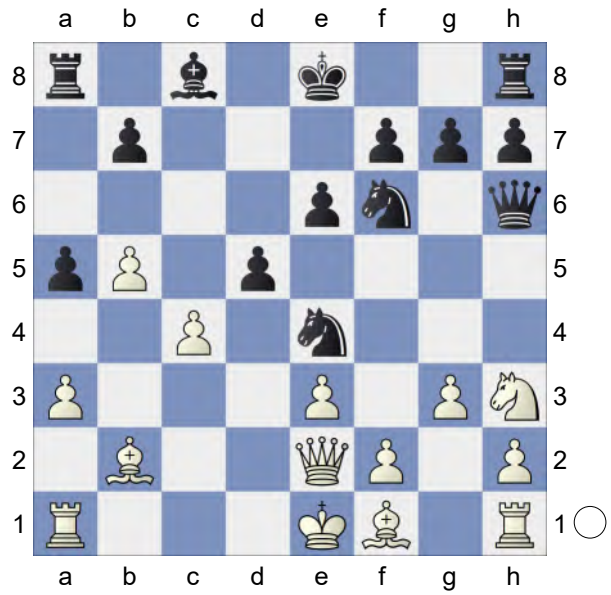
□ **Riumin,Nikolay Nikolaevich**
■ **Capablanca,Jose Raul**
Moscow (1) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

E37: Nimzo-Indian: Classical: 4...d5 5 a3 Bxc3+ 6 Qxc3 Ne4 **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Qc2 d5 5.a3**
[5.Nf3 0-0 6.Bg5 c5 7.dxc5 dxc4 8.e3 h6 9.Bh4 Nbd7 10.Bxc4 Qa5 11.0-0 Bxc3 12.bxc3 Qxc5 13.Be2 b6 14.Rfd1 Bb7 15.c4 Rac8 16.Rac1 Rfd8 17.Nd4 Ne5 18.Qa4 a6 19.Nb3 Rxd1+ ½-½ Vasquez Bonifacio,L (2741)-6. ♘a3 cd4 7.cd4 ♗d7 (2718) Cheliabinsk Lozovatsky Memorial-A 2023 (4.1)]
5...Bxc3+ 6.Qxc3 Ne4N
[6...Nc6 7.Nf3 0-0 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bxf6 Qxf6 10.e3 b6 11.cxd5 exd5 12.Be2 Bb7 13.0-0 Rfc8 14.b4 Nd8 15.Rfc1 c6 16.a4 Chess Informant ECO Chess Informant ECO E3 Survey 1998]
[6...0-0 7.Nf3 b6 8.e3 Bb7 9.b3 Nbd7 10.Be2 c5 11.0-0 Rc8 Quickstarter Guide-Classical Variation 4.Qc2 d5]
7.Qc2 c5 8.dxc5 Nc6 9.e3 Qa5+ 10.Bd2 Qxc5 11.b4 Qe7 White must now prevent ...Qe7-f6. **12.Bc1 a5** White has an edge. **13.b5 Ne5 14.Bb2 Ng4** A dynamic duo of knights. **15.Nh3↑** White is more active. **15...Qh4** 1.00/19
[15...e5= 0.16/19 keeps the balance.]
16.g3 -0.07/20
[16.Bxg7± 1.00/19 Nxe3 17.Qd3]
16...Qh6= 17.Qe2 -0.39/21

[17.Bg2= 0.12/19]

17...Ngf6 0.83/19

[17...e5∓ -0.39/21 keeps the upper hand. 18.f3 Nxe3 19.fxe4 Bg4]

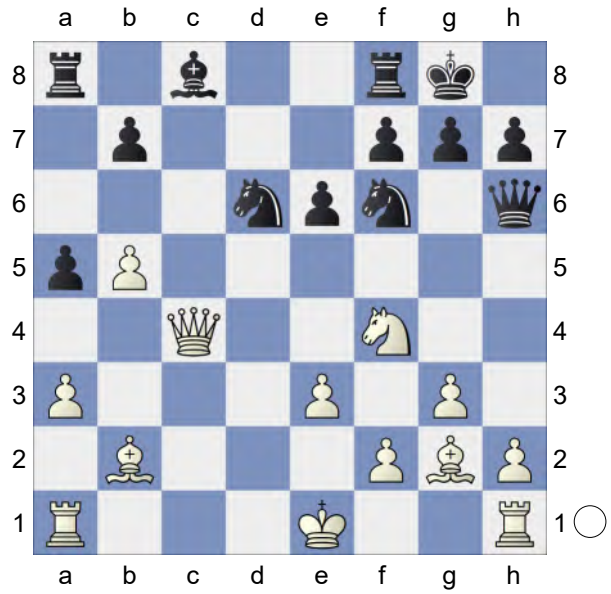


18.Nf4!± 0-0 19.Bg2 dxc4 1.38/20

[⌓19...Re8 0.75/19]

20.Qxc4 Nd6 2.18/19

[20...Nxf2± 1.54/19 keeps fighting. 21.Kxf2 e5]



21.Qd3!+- Rd8 22.Rd1 Nfe8

Black is weak on the dark squares

23.0-0 Threatens to win with a3-a4.

23...a4 24.Ne2? 0.19/21

[White has to play 24.Be5+- 2.08/19]

24...Bd7= 25.Nc3 Ra5 1.42/19

[25...Qh5= 0.16/19]

26.Qd4± And now Qd4-b4 would win. White has more active pieces. White is clearly better. **26...Qg5** 2.32/22

[26...Bxb5± 1.38/21 27.Qb4 Rda8 *(27...Bxf1? 28.Qxa5 Rc8 29.Bxf1+-)*]

27.Qb4+-

[And not 27.Nxa4 Bxb5 28.f4 Qg6∓ *(28...Qe7 29.Nb6∓)*]

27...b6 28.Rd2 aiming for Rf1-d1.

[Not 28.Rxd6 Nxd6 29.Qxd6 Bxb5 30.Qxb6 Bxf1=]

28...Bxb5 29.Rfd1 h6? 4.86/24

Weighted Error Value: White=0.26 (precise) /Black=0.33

[Don't go for 29...Qc5? 30.Ne4 Qxb4 31.axb4+-]

[29...Rc8 2.31/21 might work better. 30.Rxd6 Nxd6]

1-0

A14

□ **Romanovsky,Peter Arsenievich**

■ **Stahlberg,Gideon**

Moscow (1) 1935

[Kitty Kat]

A14: English Opening: 1...e6 with b3 by White **1.Nf3 d5 2.b3 Nf6 3.Bb2 e6 4.c4 Be7 5.g3 c5 6.Bg2 b6 7.0-0 Bb7 8.Ne5 0-0 9.Nc3 Nc6** 0.29/21

[⌓9...Qc7 -0.27/20]

10.Nxc6N

[10.cxd5 Nxe5 11.d6 Bxg2 12.dxe7 Qxe7 13.Kxg2 Rad8 14.Kg1 Nc6 15.d3 Ng4 16.Qd2 f5 17.Rad1 e5 18.f3 Nf6 19.Qg5 Qe6 20.Qh4 Nd4 21.e3 Nc2 22.Bc1 Nb4 23.d4 e4

24.dxc5 Rxd1 9 Chapter-Games Chapter - 4 Game -]

10...Bxc6 11.Rc1 -0.26/19

[⌓11.d4 0.29/21]

11...Rc8 Black has an edge. **12.cxd5 Nxd5 13.Nxd5 Bxd5 14.Qc2 Bxg2 15.Kxg2 Bf6 16.Rfd1 Bxb2 17.Qxb2 Rc7 18.Rc2 Qd6 19.Rdc1 Rd7 20.a3 a5 21.d3 f5** 0.49/22

[21...Ra8= -0.16/20]

22.b4± axb4 0.92/22

[22...Qd5+± 0.38/22 23.f3 Rb7]

23.axb4± Rc8 24.bxc5 bxc5 25.Qb5 Rdc7 26.Rc4 Kf7 27.Qb3 Rc6 1.51/21

[⌓27...Qd5+ 0.99/21 28.e4 fxe4]

28.Qc3 0.97/19

[White should play 28.d4 1.51/21]

28...h6 29.Ra1 Kg6 30.f3 R8c7 31.Ra5 White is more active. **31...Kh7 32.Qa3 Qd5 33.Ra8 e5 34.Re8 Rc8** Prevents Qa3-a8. **35.Rxc8 Rxc8** Endgame. KQR-KQR **36.Qc3 Rc6 37.Qc2 Kh8 38.Kf2 Kh7 39.Ra4 Kg6 40.e4** 0.28/21

[40.g4± 0.88/21]

40...fxe4= 41.Rxe4 Kf7 42.Qc3 Re6 43.h4 Kf8 0.55/20

[43...h5= 0.17/21]

44.Qc4± Qd6 45.Qa2 Re7 46.Ra4 0.09/22

[46.Qe2± 0.47/20 deserves consideration.]

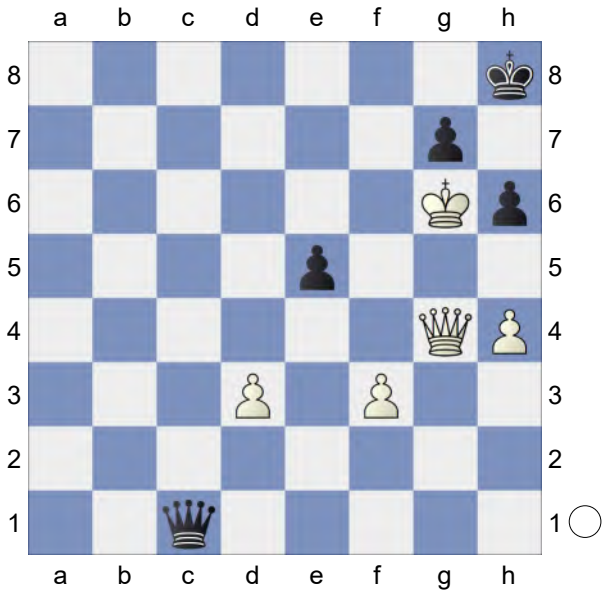
46...Rb7= 47.Ra8+ Rb8

[47...Ke7 is interesting. 48.Qg8 Rb2+ 49.Ke1 Rb1+]

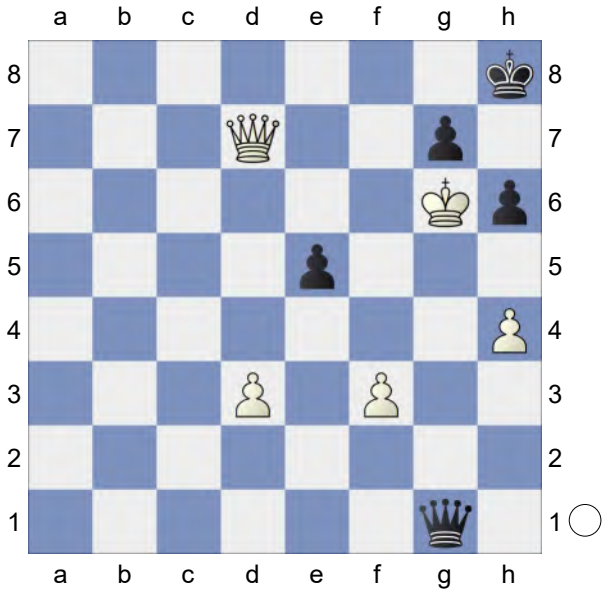
48.Rxb8+ Qxb8 KQ-KQ **49.Qd5 Qb2+ 50.Ke3 Qc1+ 51.Ke2 Qc2+ 52.Ke3 Qc1+ 53.Ke4** Strongly threatening Ke4-f5! **53...Qe1+ 54.Kf5** Black must now prevent Qd5-a8+. **54...Qxg3 55.Qxc5+ Kg8 56.Qc4+ Kh8 57.Qg4 Qe1** #22/25 Black cannot hold the game after this.

[57...Qh2= 0.01/27]

58.Kg6 Qc1



59.Qd7! Qg1+



60.Kf7! Kh7 61.Qf5+ g6 62.Qd7? 1.55/5 Weighted Error Value: White=0.10 (very precise) /Black=0.24 (precise)

[62.Qxe5 #18/27 mates Qa7+ 63.Qe7 Qa1 64.Ke6+ Kg8 65.Qf7+ Kh8 66.Qf6+ *(66.Qxg6 Qa6+ 67.Kf7 Qb7+ 68.Kf8 Qb4+ 69.Ke8 Qb5+ 70.Kf8 Qb4+ 71.Kf7 Qb7+ 72.Kf8 Qb4+=)* 66...Qxf6+ 67.Kxf6]

1-0

C44

□ **Bohatirchuk,Fedor Parfenovich**
■ **Kan,Ilia Abramovich**
Moscow (2) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

C44: Ponziani Opening and Scotch Gambit **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.d3**
[3.Nxe5 d6 4.Nf3 Nxe4 5.d3 Nf6 6.d4 d5 7.Bd3 c5 8.0-0 c4 9.Be2 Be7 10.b3 cxb3 11.axb3 0-0 12.Ne5 Nc6 13.Nc3 Bf5 14.Nxc6 bxc6 15.Bf4 Re8 16.Bd3 Bxd3 17.Qxd3 Bd6 ½-½ 9.00 ♘bd7 10. b3_66364 (2670)-Gill,S (2544) ROM-chT Romania 1994 (6.1)]
3...Nc6 4.c3N
[4.g3 g6 *(4...Bc5 5.Bg2 d6 6.0-0 0-0 7.Nc3 a5 8.h3 h6 9.Nh4 Nd4 10.Kh2 c6 11.Ne2 Re8 12.Nxd4 Bxd4 13.Qf3 d5 14.Nf5 dxe4 15.dxe4 Bxf5 16.Qxf5 Qc8 17.Qf3 Qe6 18.a4 Red8 19.Rd1* 0-1 8.e5 b5 9.♕b3_63585 (2443)-Fernandes,A (2197) (Game 14) Kecskemet 1991 (7) *)* 5.Bg2 Bg7 6.0-0 0-0 7.c4 *(7.Re1 d6 8.c3 Re8 9.Nbd2 a5 10.a4 h6 11.Nc4 Be6 12.Qb3 Qc8 13.Nfd2 b6 14.Nf1 d5 15.exd5 Bxd5 16.Bxd5 Nxd5 17.Nd6 cxd6 18.Qxd5 Qd7 19.Ne3 Ne7 20.Qb5 Qxb5 21.axb5 d5* 7 Chapter Part,D-Games Chapter - 4 Part D Game *-)* 7...d6 8.h3 a6 9.Nc3 Rb8 10.Rb1 b5 11.cxb5 axb5 12.b4 Nd4 13.Nxd4 exd4 14.Ne2 Nd7 15.Qc2 c5 16.Bf4 Rb6 17.Nc1 c4 18.dxc4 bxc4 Chapter Main Line-6...a5!? - Plans with c2-c4 2023 19.Qxc4 g5 20.Bd2 Ne5 21.Qe2 g4 22.hxg4 Bxg4 23.f3 Be6 24.f4 Bc4 25.Qd1 Bxf1 26.Bxf1 d5 27.fxe5 Bxe5 28.Qh5 Bxg3 29.Ne2 Bb8 30.e5 Re8 31.Bg5 Qc7 32.Bf6 Qc2 33.Qg5+ Qg6 1 Chapter-Games Chapter 2 (6) Game]
4...d5 5.Qc2 Be7 6.Be2 h6 7.Nbd2 Be6 0.14/20
[7...a5 -0.28/19 feels stronger.]
8.0-0= The position is equal. **8...0-0** 0.26/18
[8...a5 -0.10/19 might be stronger.]
9.Re1 -0.24/19
[⌓9.b4! 0.26/18]
9...Nd7 0.35/19
[9...a5= -0.24/19]
10.Nf1 -0.34/19
[Better is 10.exd5± 0.35/19 Bxd5 11.b4]
10...f5 0.13/17
[10...d4∓ -0.34/19]
11.exf5 -0.24/19
[⌓11.exd5 0.13/17 Bxd5 12.Ne3]
11...Bxf5 12.Ng3 Bg6 13.Be3 Bf6 0.19/18
[Black should play 13...a5∓ -0.50/18]
14.Qb3 Nb6 15.a4 next a4-a5 is good for White. **15...Bf7 16.Bc5 Re8 17.a5** -0.47/21
[17.Nd2= 0.01/18]
17...Nd7∓ 18.Qxb7? -2.20/21
[18.Bb4∓ -0.46/20]

(Diagram)

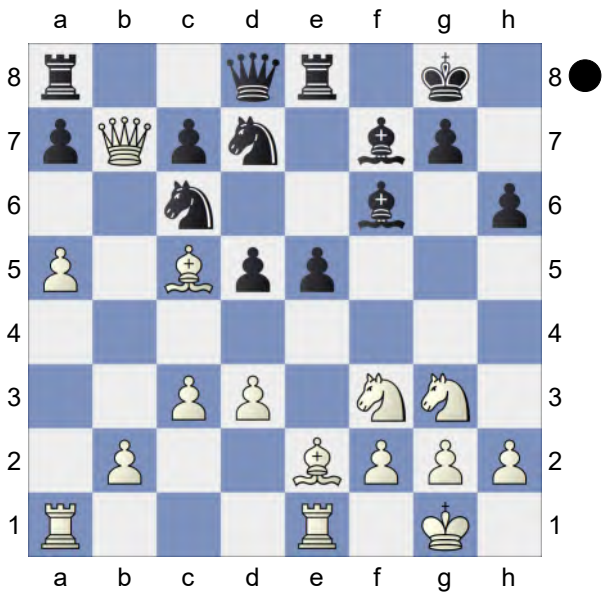
18...Re6!-+ 19.Ba3 Rb8! 20.Qa6

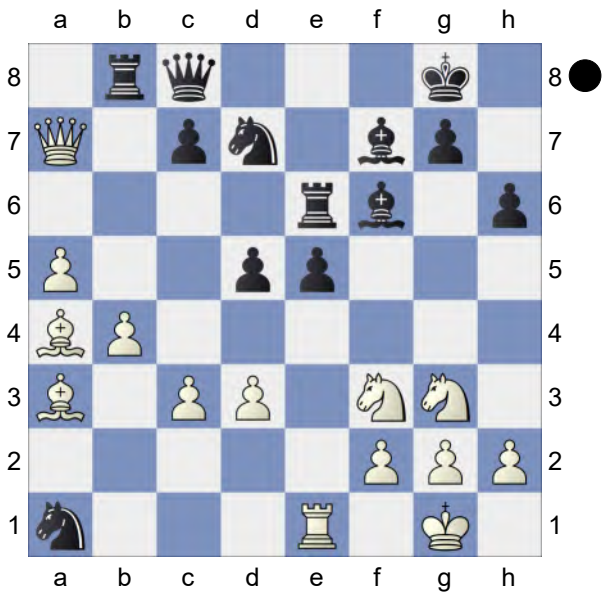
(Diagram)

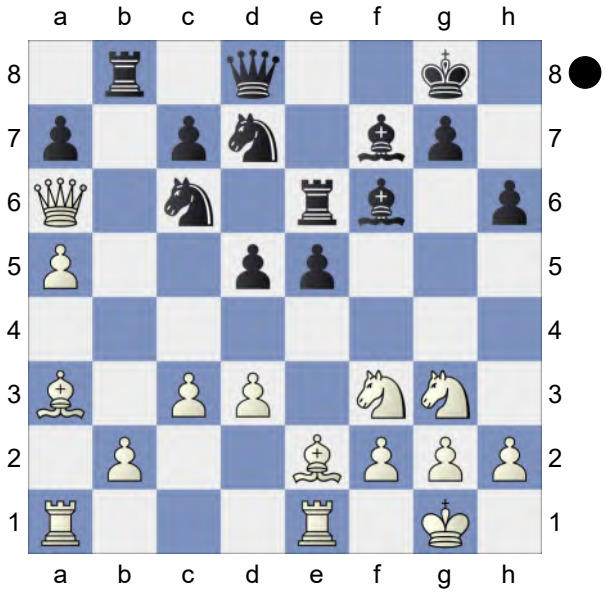
Nd4!↑ Discovered Attack. Keeping White busy. **21.Qxa7 Nc2 22.b4?** -3.62/19 **Qc8 23.Bd1 Nxa1 24.Ba4**

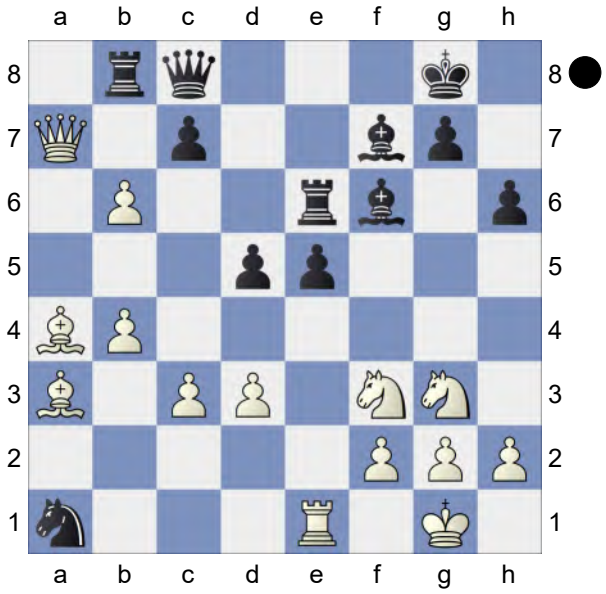
(Diagram)

Nb6 Black is clearly winning. **25.axb6**







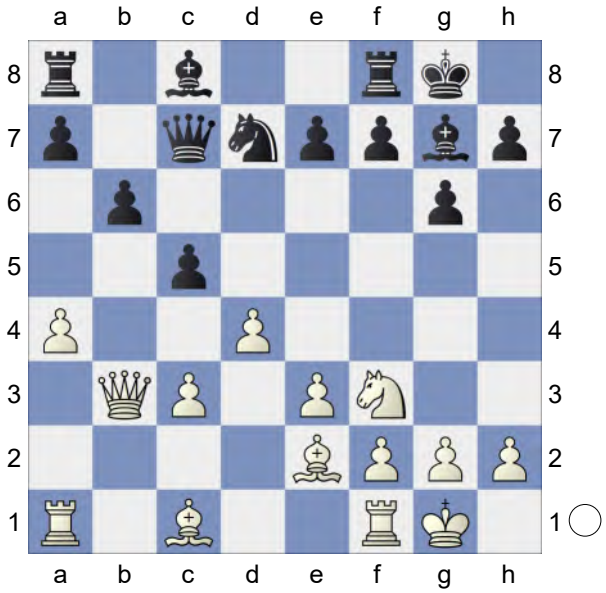


Rexb6! And now ...Rb8-a8 would win.
26.Rxa1
[26.Bd7 Ra6]
26...Ra8 **27.Bd7** Strongly threatening Qa7xb6. **27...Qd8**
[27...Qxd7? perishes. 28.Qxa8+ Kh7 29.Bb2+-]
28.Qxa8 **Qxa8** **29.Bb2** **Ra6**
Weighted Error Value: White=0.56/ Black=0.15 (very precise)
0-1

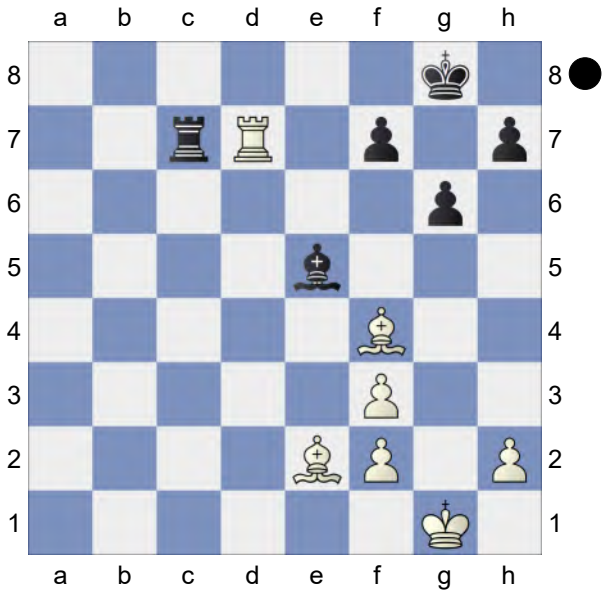
D90

□ **Capablanca,Jose Raul**
■ **Botvinnik,Mikhail**
Moscow (2) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D90: Grünfeld: 4 Nf3 Bg7 sidelines **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Nf3 Bg7 5.cxd5 Nxd5 6.Qb3 Nxc3 7.bxc3 c5 8.e3 0-0 9.Be2 Nd7N**
[9...Qc7 10.0-0 b6 11.Ba3 Nd7 12.e4 e5 13.d5 Nf6 14.Qc2 Ne8 15.Nd2 Nd6 D 90/04-N,N 2003]
[9...Nc6 10.0-0 Na5 11.Qa3 cxd4 12.cxd4 Be6 13.Qb4 Bd5 14.Bb2 Nc6 D 90/04-N,N 2003]
10.0-0 Qc7 11.a4 b6



12.a5! bxa5
[12...Rb8 13.axb6]
13.Qa3 0.00/21
[13.Qa4± 0.42/20]
13...Bb7 0.37/19
[13...a4= 0.00/21]
14.Qxa5± White is slightly better.
14...Rfc8 15.Qxc7 Rxc7 16.Ra5! e5 17.Rd1 cxd4 18.cxd4 Rac8 19.Rxa7 Bxf3 20.Rxc7 Rxc7 21.gxf3 exd4 22.exd4 Bxd4 The position is equal.
23.Bf4 Be5 24.Rxd7



Threatens to win with Rd7-d8+. Remove Defender **24...Bxf4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.12 (very precise) / Black=0.10 (very precise)
½-½

D48

□ **Chekhover,Vitaly**
■ **Pirc,Vasja**
Moscow (2) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D48: Semi-Slav: Meran System: 7...b5 8 Bd3 a6 Inf 103/(283) **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.e3 e6 5.Bd3 dxc4N**
[5...Nbd7
A) 6.b3 Bd6 7.Bb2 0-0 8.0-0 b6 *(8...c5 9.Nbd2 Qc7 10.Rc1 b6 11.cxd5 exd5 12.e4 dxe4 13.Nxe4 Nxe4 14.Bxe4 Bb7 15.dxc5 Bf4 16.Bxb7 Bxc1 17.Qxc1 Qxb7 18.c6 Qc7 19.cxd7 Qxd7 20.Rd1 Qf5 21.Qc3 f6 22.Qc4+ Kh8 23.Nd4* 1-0 Kurmangaliyeva,L (2199)-Dartmann Aubanell,C (1924) Wch

U18 Girls Mamaia 2022 (1)) 9.Ne5 Bb7 10.Nd2 c5 11.cxd5 exd5 12.f4 cxd4 13.exd4 Ne4 14.Nxe4 dxe4 15.Bc4 *(15.Bb5 Nxe5 16.fxe5 Be7 17.Rc1 Rc8 18.Rxc8 Qxc8 19.Bc4 a6 20.a4 Qd8 21.Qe2 a5 22.h3* Georgiev,V (2581)-Jankovic,A (2541) Bosna i Hercegovina 103/(283) 2008) 15...b5 16.Bxb5 Nxe5 17.fxe5 Bxe5 18.dxe5 Qb6+ 19.Kh1 Qxb5 20.Qg4 Skalusevic,L (2658)-Dallmann,V (2585) Wuerzburg op 14th Würzburg 1998;

B) 6.0-0 Bd6 7.Nbd2 0-0 8.e4 e5 9.cxd5 cxd5 10.Re1 Re8 11.exd5 exd4 12.Ne4 Nxe4 13.Bxe4 Nc5 14.Qxd4 Nxe4 15.Rxe4 Bf5 16.Rxe8+ Qxe8 17.Bf4 Qd8 18.Bxd6 Qxd6 19.Re1 h6 20.h3 1-0 Socko,M (2486)-Warakomska,A (2188) POL-chT 66th Katowice 2010 (1)]

6.Bxc4 Nbd7 7.Nc3 b5 8.Bd3 a6 9.e4 b4 10.Ne2 c5 11.e5 Nd5 12.0-0 The position is equal. **12...Bb7 13.Ng3** -0.23/19

[⌓13.Nf4 0.15/19]

13...cxd4= 14.Ne4 -0.52/20

[14.Re1= -0.12/18 should be considered.]

14...h6∓ 15.Bd2 g5 0.16/20

[Better is 15...Be7∓ -0.78/20]

16.Nxd4 -1.03/20

[16.h3= 0.16/20 remains equal.]

16...Nxe5∓ 17.Bc2 Qb6 18.Ba4+ Ke7! 19.Re1 -1.67/20 **Bg7-+ 20.Nc2** -2.76/19

[⌓20.Nf3 -1.90/19]

20...Nd3 21.Be3 Nxe3 22.Qxd3 Nd5 23.Ne3 -2.66/22

[⌓23.Ng3 -1.91/19]

23...Rhd8 ...Nd5xe3 would now be deadly.

[Weaker is 23...Bxb2 24.Nc4 Qd4 25.Rad1 *(25.Nxb2 Qxb2 26.Rab1 Qe5=)* 25...Qxd3 26.Rxd3=]

24.Nf5+ Kf8 25.Nxg7 Kxg7 26.Qg3 Nf4 27.Bc2 Prevents Rd8-d3. **27...Bxe4 28.Bxe4 Rac8 29.h4 Qb5** White must now prevent ...Nf4-e2+. **30.hxg5** -2.92/24

[⌓30.Qe3 -1.72/23]

30...hxg5

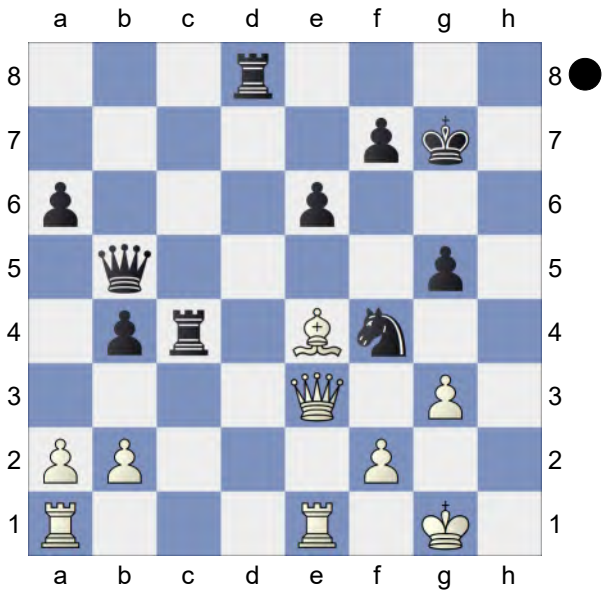
[But not 30...Qxg5 31.a3∓]

31.Qe3 Repels Rd8-d2 **31...Rc4** -1.66/23

[⌓31...f5 -2.77/24 32.Bf3 Rd3 33.Qa7+ Qd7 34.Qxd7+ Rxd7]

32.g3 -2.17/26

[⌓32.Rad1 -1.66/23 Rxd1 33.Rxd1]



32...Nh3+! 33.Kg2

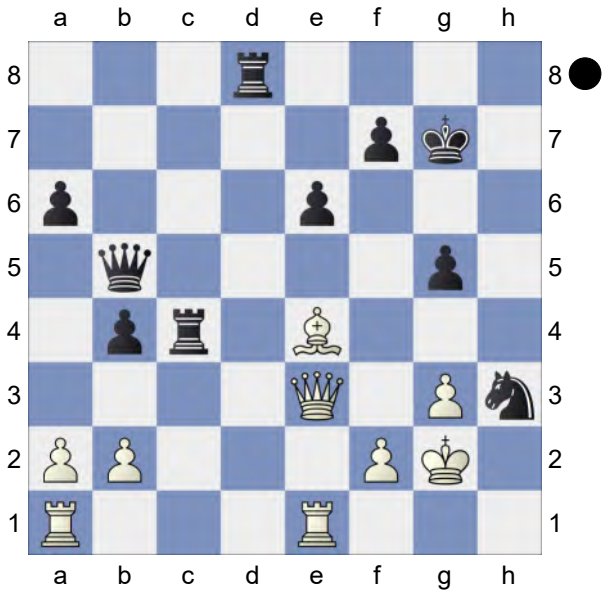
(Diagram)

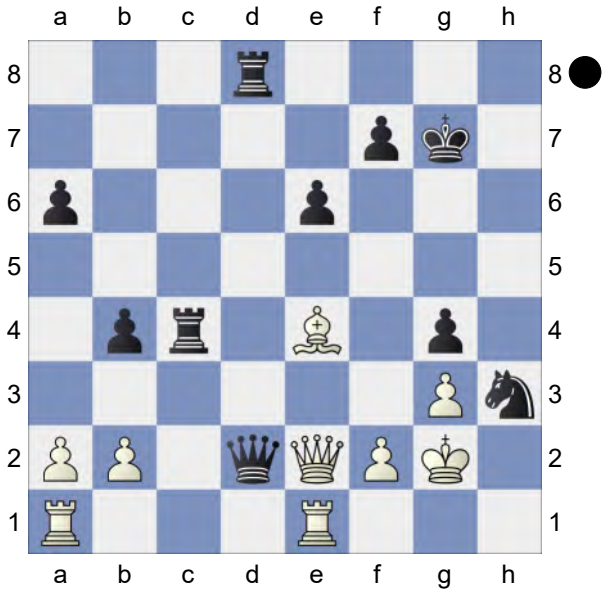
g4! Threatens to win with ...Qb5-g5. **34.Bd3?** -6.28/25

[34.Rad1 -1.98/24 Rxd1 35.Rxd1]

34...Qd5+ 35.Be4 Qd2 36.Qe2 -5.98/23

[⌓36.b3 -3.74/23 Qxe3 37.Rxe3]





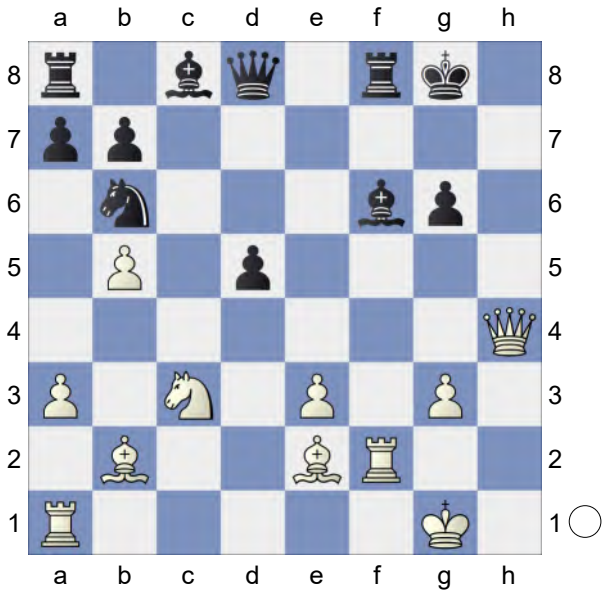
36...f5! Black is clearly winning. **37.Bb7**
[37.Bxf5 Qxe2]
37...Rc2 38.Kf1 Qd3 Pin. Weighted Error Value: White=1.06/Black=0.28 (precise)
0-1

E46

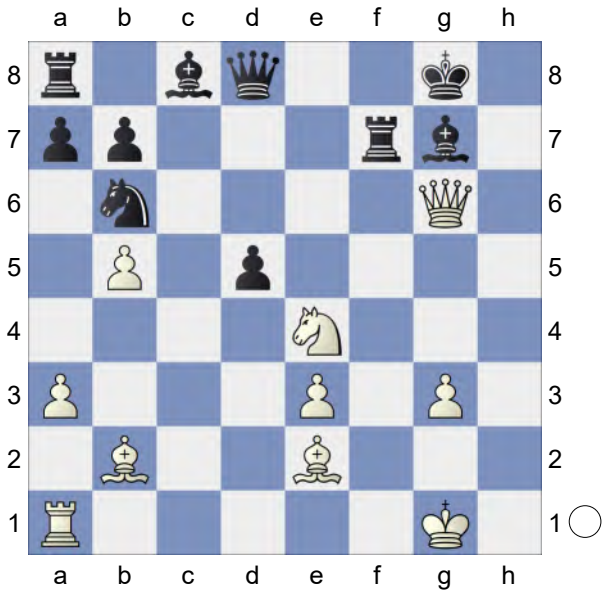
□ **Flohr,Salo**
■ **Lisitsin,Georgy**
Moscow (2) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

E46: Nimzo-Indian: Rubinstein: 4 e3 0-0 5 Ne2 without early Bd3 Defensa Nimzoindia.- **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e3 0-0 5.Nge2 d5 6.a3 Be7 7.cxd5 exd5 8.Ng3 c5 9.Bd3**
[9.dxc5 Bxc5 10.Bd3 Nc6 11.0-0 Be6 12.Nce2 Qe7 13.b3 Rad8 14.Bb2 g6 15.Bb5 Bb6 16.Bxc6 bxc6 17.Nd4 Bd7 18.b4 c5 19.bxc5 Bxc5 20.Nb3 Bb6 21.a4 Rfe8 22.a5 Bc7 23.Qd4 Be5 ½-½ Babarovic,F (2510)-10. ♖c1 c5 (2466) FRA-URS Paris 1954]
9...Nc6 10.0-0 g6N 0.31/18
[10...Bg4= -0.09/19 11.Nce2 cxd4]
[10...Re8 11.dxc5 Bxc5 12.b4 Bd6 *(12...Bf8 13.Bb2 Ne5 14.Rc1 a6 15.Nce2 b5 16.Qc2 Bd7 17.Rfd1 Rc8 18.Qd2 Bc6 19.Bd4 Nc4 20.Qc3 Ng4 21.Bxc4 dxc4 22.h3 Nf6 23.Bxf6 Qxf6 24.Qxf6 gxf6 25.Nf5 a5 26.Nd6 Bxd6 27.Rxd6* 0-1 Dubeck,M (2154)-Chrzanowski,M (1987) Wroclaw op-A 2023 (9)) 13.Bb2 Be5 14.Na4 Bxb2 15.Nxb2 Bg4 16.Be2 Bxe2 17.Nxe2 Qd6 18.Nd3 a6 19.Rc1 a5 20.b5 Nd8 21.a4 Ne6 22.Ng3 Qa3 23.Ra1 Qc3 24.Rc1 Qa3 25.Ra1 ½-½ Gligoric,S-Bronstein,D Candidates Tournament_222097 Zürich 1953 (30)]
11.dxc5± White is slightly better.
11...Bxc5 12.b4 Bd6 13.b5 -0.05/19
[13.Bb2± 0.43/17 was preferrable.]
13...Ne5= 14.Be2 Neg4 0.42/20
[14...Be6= -0.22/19]

15.Bb2!± h5 1.16/22
[Black should play 15...Be5± 0.33/18]
16.h3± h4 1.61/23
[16...Nxe3± 1.14/20 17.fxe3 Bxg3]
17.hxg4+- hxg3 18.Qd4 0.10/24 Prevents Bd6-e5
[White should try 18.Nxd5± 1.60/20 Nxd5 19.Qd4 *(19.Qxd5 Qh4)*]
18...Nd7
[18...Re8!? 19.Nxd5 Be5 20.Nxf6+ Remove Defender Qxf6∓]
19.g5 0.06/20
[19.Qxd5 Qh4]
[19.Nxd5? Be5 20.Qe4 Bxb2-+]
[19.fxg3± 0.43/22 Be5 20.Qxd5]
19...gxf2+? 1.89/22
[19...Be5= 0.06/20 and Black stays safe. 20.Qh4 Re8]
20.Rxf2 Be5 Prevents Ra1-d1 **21.Qh4** Ra1-d1 would now be deadly. **21...Nb6** 2.47/23
[⌓21...Kg7 1.63/19]
22.g3 f5 23.gxf6? 1.20/21
[23.Rh2+- 3.39/21 Kf7 24.Qh7+ Deflection Ke6 25.Qxg6+ Rf6 26.gxf6]
23...Bxf6±



24.Qh6 White is more active. **24...Bg7**
[24...Bf5? 25.Rxf5 Bg7 *(25...gxf5? 26.Qg6+ Bg7 27.Ne4+-)* 26.Qxg6 Rxf5 27.Qxf5+-]
25.Qxg6 White wants to mate with Nc3xd5! **25...Rxf2 26.Ne4→** Wards off Rf2-f6. Black is in trouble. Really sharp!
[26.Kxf2 Qf8+ 27.Bf3 Qf7 28.Qxf7+ Kxf7]
26...Rf7 6.83/25
[Weaker is 26...Rxe2 27.Qxg7#]
[26...Qe7± 0.93/22 27.Nxf2 Bf5 28.Qxf5 Bxb2]



27.Ng5!+-
[27.Bxg7 Bf5 *(27...Rxg7 28.Nf6+ Kf8 29.Qh6±)* 28.Nf6+ Qxf6 29.Qxf6 Rxf6 30.Bxf6 Rc8±]
27...Rf6 28.Bxf6 Qxf6 29.Qh7+ Kf8 30.Rf1 White is clearly winning. **30...Qxf1+ 31.Bxf1** Qh7-g6 would kill now. **31...Bd7 32.Qg6 Be8** Inhibits Qg6-f7+. **33.Qf5+ Kg8 34.Bh3** Weighted Error Value: White=0.31/ Black=0.72
1-0

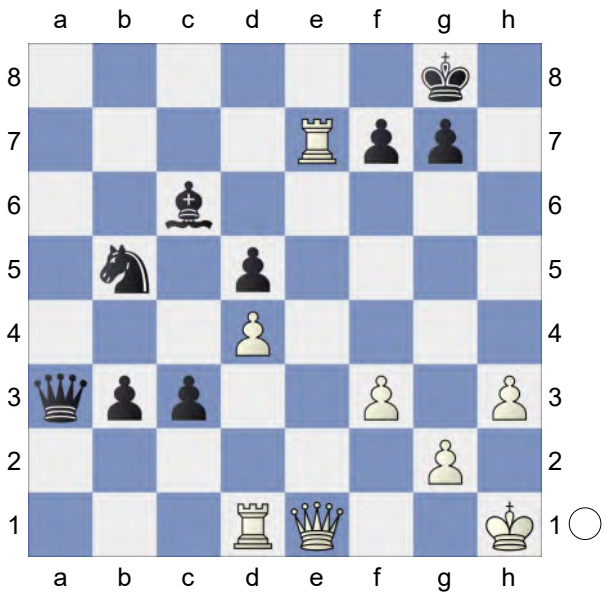
E49

□ **Lilienthal,Andor**
■ **Ragozin,Viacheslav**
Moscow (2) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

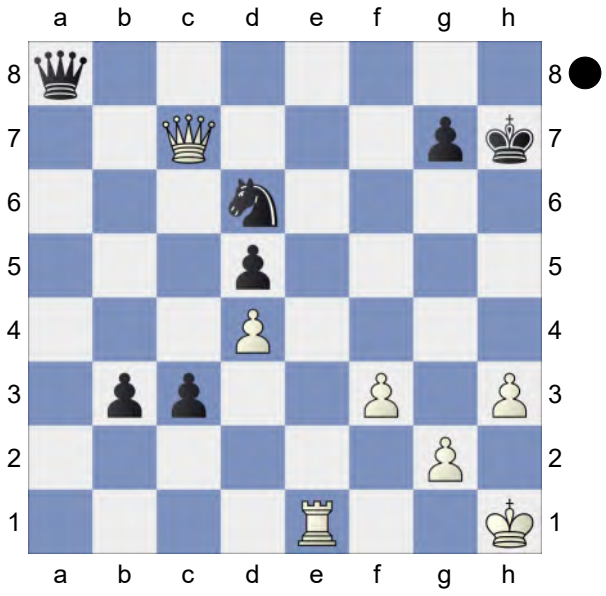
E49: Nimzo-Indian: Rubinstein: 5 Bd3 d5 6 a3 Bxc3+ 7 bxc3 **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.a3 Bxc3+ 5.bxc3 c5 6.f3 d5 7.e3 0-0 8.cxd5 exd5 9.Bd3 Nc6 10.Ne2 Re8**
[10...cxd4 11.cxd4 Re8 12.Kf2 Bd7 13.Nf4 a6 14.g4 Ne4+ 15.fxe4 Qh4+ 16.Kg2 Bxg4 17.Qf1 Rxe4 18.h3 Bf5 19.Ra2 Rae8 20.Kh2 Rxe3 21.Bxe3 Rxe3 22.Rg1 Nxd4 23.Bxf5 Nf3+ 24.Kh1 Nxg1 25.Ng2 1-0 Shaw,T (2255)-Walder,M (2143) San Francisco TNM Spring op 2015 (3)]
11.0-0 a6N
[11...b6 12.g4 *(12.Qc2 c4 13.Bf5 Bxf5 14.Qxf5 Qd7 15.Qxd7 Nxd7 16.Ng3 Nf6 17.Re1 Na5 18.e4 Nb3 19.Rb1 b5 20.Bg5 Nd7 21.exd5 f6 22.Bf4 g6 23.Ne4 a6 24.h4 Kf8 25.Bh6+ Kg8 26.Nd6* 1-0 Salov,V (2655)-Bareev,E (2635) Dortmund 1992 (1) *)* 12...Bb7 13.Ng3 Na5 14.Ra2 Rc8 15.Nf5 cxd4 16.cxd4 Nc4 17.g5 Nh5 18.f4 g6 19.Nh6+ Kg7 20.Be2 Nf6 21.gxf6+ Kxh6 22.f5 Qxf6 23.fxg6 Qxg6+ 24.Kh1 Nxe3 25.Bd3 Rxc1 26.Qxc1 1-0 4.♘f3 b6 5.♕b3 (2275)-9.♖d1 ♗b7 10.e4_84268 (2341) HUN-ch18 Budapest 1963 (11)]
12.Qe1 b5 13.Qf2 Be6 The position is equal. **14.h3 Ra7 15.Bd2 Qb6** 0.68/18
[15...Na5 0.32/18 feels stronger.]
16.Rfb1 Rae7 1.11/20
[16...Bd7± 0.62/20 should be considered.]
17.a4± c4 18.Bc2 Bc8 19.Ng3 h5 20.Ne2
[20.e4?! h4 21.Nf1 dxe4 22.axb5 *(22.Qxh4 exf3 23.gxf3 Ne5-+)* 22...axb5 23.fxe4 *(23.Qxh4? exf3 24.Bg5 Re2-+)* 23...Nxe4 24.Qxh4 Bf5= *(24...Nxd4 25.cxd4 Bb7 26.Ra3±)*]
20...Nd8 21.Ra2 Bd7 1.47/22
[⌓21...Bb7 1.03/19]
22.axb5 axb5 23.Rba1 Bc8 24.Rb2 Bd7 25.Qh4 Ne6 26.Kh1 Nf8 1.36/22
[⌓26...Bc6 0.94/20]
27.Ng3 Rxe3 28.Bxe3
[28.Nxh5 Nxh5 *(28...Re2 29.Nxg7* Decoy *Kxg7 30.Bh6+ Kg8 31.Qg5+ Ng6 32.Bxg6=)* 29.Bxe3 Rxe3 30.Qxh5 Rxc3±]
28...Rxe3 29.Nxh5 0.01/21
[29.Bf5± 0.81/21]
29...Nxh5= 30.Qxh5 Bc6 31.Qg5 Rxc3 32.Qd2 Rxc2 33.Rxc2 Ne6 1.17/21
[33...b4= -0.01/22]
34.Rd1 -0.01/20
[34.Rca2± 1.17/21]
34...b4 Hoping for ...Bc6-a4. **35.Rb2! b3**
[But not 35...c3? 36.Qxc3 bxc3 37.Rxb6+-]
36.Qc3 Nc7 Black has compensation.
37.Re2 -0.46/21
[37.Qe3= -0.01/20 is more appropriate.]
37...Qa7 0.01/20
[37...Nb5∓ -0.46/21 38.Qb4 Qc7]
38.Qb4 Nb5 39.Re7 Repels Qa7-c7
39...Qa3 Really sharp! **40.Qe1** Threatens to win with Re7-e8+! **40...c3**

(Diagram)

41.Re8+ -0.80/23 **Bxe8∓ 42.Qxe8+** Endgame. KQR-KQN **42...Kh7 43.Qxf7**



Qa8! 44.Re1? -3.63/25 White does not recover from this.
[44.Qf5+∓ -1.22/22 was the only chance. Kh8 45.Re1]
44...Nd6!-+ 45.Qc7 -7.00/23
[45.Qh5+ -3.71/23 Kg8 46.Qg6]



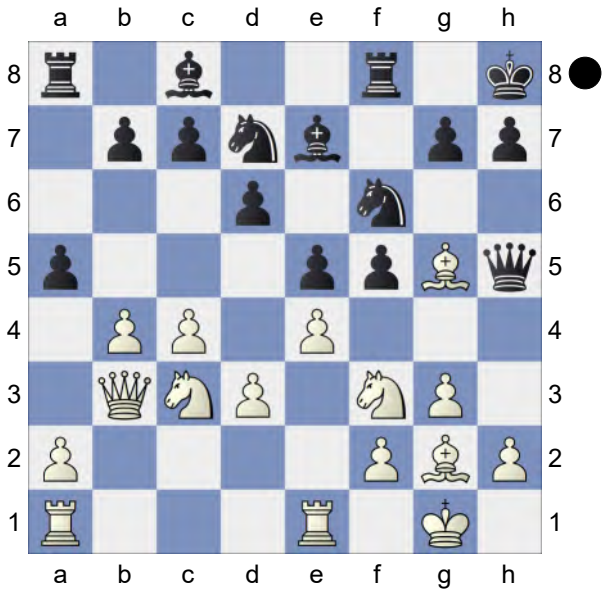
45...c2! Black is clearly winning.
46.Qxd6 Black must now prevent Qd6-e6.
[46.f4 Ne4]
46...b2 47.Qf4 Qc6 Weighted Error Value: White=0.61/Black=0.14 (very precise)
[47...b1B? is the wrong capture. 48.Qf5+ Kg8 49.Qh5+-]
0-1

A21

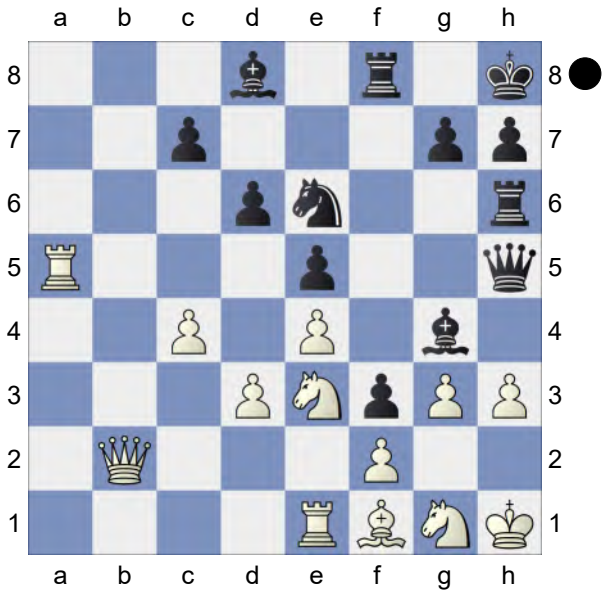
□ **Menchik,Vera**
■ **Riumin,Nikolay Nikolaevich**
Moscow (2) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A21: English Opening: 1...e5 2 Nc3
1.Nf3 f5 2.g3 Nf6 3.Bg2 d6
[3...g6 4.b4 Bg7 5.Bb2 a5 6.b5 a4 7.c4 c6 8.Na3 0-0 9.0-0 d5 10.Rc1 Kh8 11.d3 Be6 12.Qc2 dxc4 13.dxc4 Qc8 14.Qb1 c5 15.Qa1 Nbd7 16.e4 fxe4 17.Ng5 Bf5 18.Nxe4 1-0 Kimmerlin,G (2654)-Gavris,E (2128) 128/28 London 2016 (3)]
4.0-0 e5 5.d3 Be7 6.c4N
[6.e4 0-0 7.Nbd2 Nc6 8.c3 Kh8 *(8...a5 9.a4 Kh8 10.Qc2 Qe8 11.Rb1 Qh5 12.Re1 fxe4 13.dxe4 Bg4 14.b4 Nd7 15.Re3 Nb6 16.b5 Nd8 17.Ba3 Ne6 18.c4 Nd7 19.Rbb3 Rf7 20.Kf1 Raf8 21.h3 Bxh3 22.Bxh3 Qxh3+ 23.Ke2* 0-1 Iliadis,K-Kotronias,V Komotini_176791 1993*)* 9.Re1 f4 10.d4 fxg3 11.hxg3 exd4 12.cxd4 Ng4 13.Nc4 Qe8 14.Ne3 Qh5 15.Nd5 Rxf3 16.Qxf3 Bd7 17.Qd3 Nxd4 18.Qxd4 Bb5 Clip]
[6.Nc3 0-0 7.e4 Nc6 8.h3 Qe8 9.Re1 f4 10.gxf4 exf4 11.Bxf4 Nh5 12.Bg3 Ne5 13.Nd5 Bd8 14.d4 Nxf3+ 15.Bxf3 Nxg3 16.fxg3 Bxh3 17.Bg2 Qg6 Eingorn,V-Williams,S 45: French League 2012]
6...0-0 7.Nc3 Qe8 8.b4 Qh5 9.Qb3

0.00/16
[9.e3± 0.44/16 is more appropriate.]
9...Kh8 10.Re1 Nbd7 Black has an edge. **11.e4** -0.80/20
[11.Rb1= 0.08/18 remains equal.]
11...a5∓ 12.Bg5? -2.24/19
[12.Ba3∓ -0.66/18]



12...axb4!-+ 13.Bxf6 Bxf6
[13...Rxf6 14.Nd5 Nc5 15.Qd1 fxe4 16.Nxf6 Bxf6 17.dxe4]
[13...Nxf6 14.Qxb4 f4 15.h4=]
14.Qxb4 Nc5 15.Qb1 f4 16.Kh1 Bg4 17.Ng1 White is weak on the dark squares **17...Bg5** White must now prevent ...f4xg3. **18.Qc2 f3 19.Bf1 Rf6 20.h3 Rh6 21.Nd5** -3.46/21
[21.Rab1 -2.15/19 was necessary.]
21...Ne6 Threatens to win with ...c7-c6. **22.Qb2 b6 23.a4 Rf8** ...Bg5-d8 is the strong threat. **24.a5** -3.32/19
[24.c5 -1.90/17 only move.]
24...bxa5 25.Rxa5 -4.97/20
[⌓25.d4 -3.12/19 c6 *(25...exd4? 26.Rxa5 Nc5 27.Ra7∓)* 26.c5]
25...Bd8 26.Ne3 -8.03/21
[⌓26.Rd1 -4.03/17]



26...Bxh3! White did not feel at home in the position after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.79/Black=0.22 (precise)
0-1

D58

□ **Rabinovich,Ilya Leontievich**
■ **Goglidze,Victor Arsentievich**
Moscow (2) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

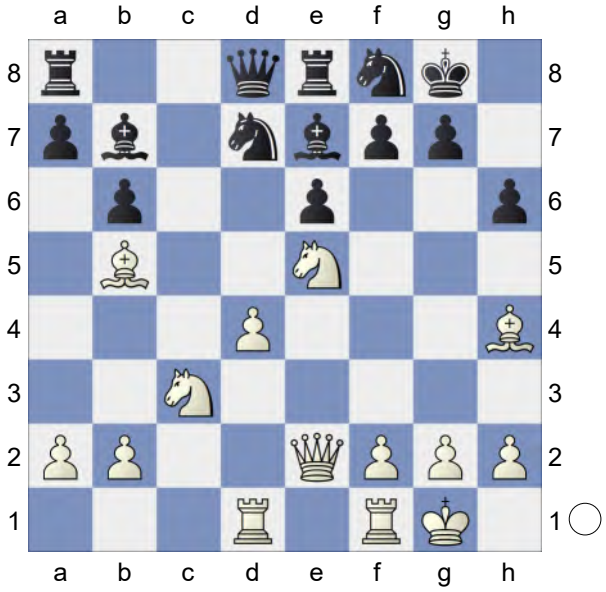
D58: Queen's Gambit Declined: Tartakower Defence **1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 e6 3.c4 d5 4.Bg5 Be7 5.e3 h6 6.Bh4 0-0 7.Nc3 b6 8.Bd3 Bb7 9.0-0 Nbd7 10.Qe2 c5 11.Rad1 cxd4 12.exd4 Re8 13.Ne5 dxc4! 14.Bxc4** Ne5xf7! is the strong threat.
[14.Nxc4 simplifies Nd5 15.Bg3 Nxc3 16.bxc3 Rc8 17.Rfe1]
14...Nf8N 1.30/23
[14...Nd5= -0.16/23 15.Bg3 Nxe5 16.Bxe5 Bf8 *(16...Nxc3 17.bxc3 Bd6 18.f4 Qc7 19.Bb5 Re7 20.Rd3 a6 21.Ba4 Bd5 22.Rg3 f5 23.Bb3 Qc6 24.Re1 Be4 25.Bf6 Rae8*

26.Bxe7 Rxe7 27.Rf1 Qc7 28.Qf2 Kh7 29.Re3 b5 30.g3 a5 31.Bd1 1-0 Reti,R-Tartakower,S Bad Kissingen IT 1928 (7) *)*]

15.Bb5 0.66/22

[15.f4± 1.30/23]

15...N6d7±



16.Qh5 -0.25/23 **Bxh4= 17.Qxf7+**

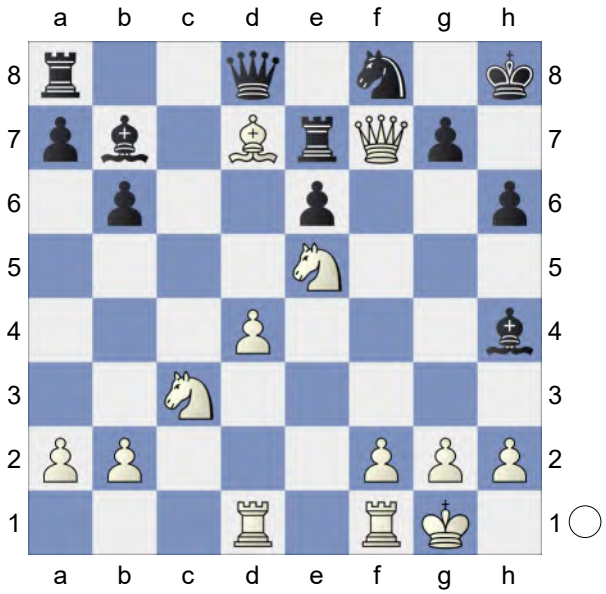
[17.Nxf7? Qe7 18.Ne5 Nxe5 19.Bxe8 Nc4-+ *(19...Qxe8? 20.Qxh4 Neg6 21.Qg4-+; 19...Nf3+? 20.gxf3 Rxe8 21.d5-+)*]

17...Kh8 18.Bxd7 White has more active pieces. Black is weak on the light squares **18...Re7** 4.84/22

[18...Nxd7± 0.61/23 19.Qxd7 *(19.Nxd7 Qg5±)* 19...Qxd7 20.Nxd7 Rac8]

(Diagram)

19.Qxf8+? 0.31/25 **Qxf8± 20.Ng6+ Kg8 21.Nxf8 Kxf8 22.Bb5 Rd8 23.Rd3 Bf6** A strong pair of Bishops. **24.Rfd1 Rc7 25.R3d2 Kf7 26.Ne2 a6 27.Ba4 Bd5 28.Nc3 b5 29.Bb3** -0.01/22



[29.Nxd5± 0.49/22 Rxd5 30.Bb3]

29...Bxb3= 30.axb3 g5 31.Kf1 Rcd7 32.Ra1 Rxd4 33.Rxd4 Rxd4 34.Rxa6 Endgame. KRB-KRN **34...b4 35.Na4 Rd2 36.Ke1 Rc2 37.Rb6 Be7 38.Rb7 Kf6 39.Rd7 h5 40.h3 e5** Repels Rd7-d4 **41.Rd2 Rc6 42.Ke2 Kf5 43.Rd7 Ke6 44.Rb7 Rc2+ 45.Kf3 Bd6** 0.23/23

[⌓45...g4+ -0.29/23 46.hxg4 hxg4+ 47.Kxg4 Rxf2]

46.Rg7 Be7 47.g3 h4 48.gxh4 gxh4 49.Rg4 -0.83/24

[49.Rh7= -0.01/24 remains equal.]

49...Kf5∓ Black has strong compensation. **50.Rc4 Rd2** -0.17/25

[50...e4+!∓ -0.64/24 51.Kg2 Rd2]

51.Ke3!= Rd1 Threatens to win with ... Rd1-h1. **52.Nb6** -0.79/23

[52.Ke2= -0.14/24 Rh1 53.Rc7]

52...Rh1 -0.09/26

[52...e4∓ -0.79/23 And now ... Rd1-d3+ would win. 53.Nc8 *(53.Ke2 Rd3∓)* 53...Rd3+ *(53...Bg5+ 54.Ke2=)* 54.Ke2 Bf8]

53.Nd5 Rxh3+ 54.Ke2 The position is equal. **54...Bd6 55.Ne3+ Kg5 56.Kf1 Rh1+ 57.Kg2 Rb1 58.Rg4+ Kh5 59.Rg8 Bc5**

[Much weaker is 59...Rxb2?! 60.Rh8+ Kg5 61.Nc4 Rxb3 62.Nxd6±]
60.Nd5 Rxb2 61.Nf6+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.33/Black=0.27 (precise)
½-½

B18

☐ **Romanovsky,Peter Arsenievich**
■ **Levenfish,Grigory**
Moscow (2) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

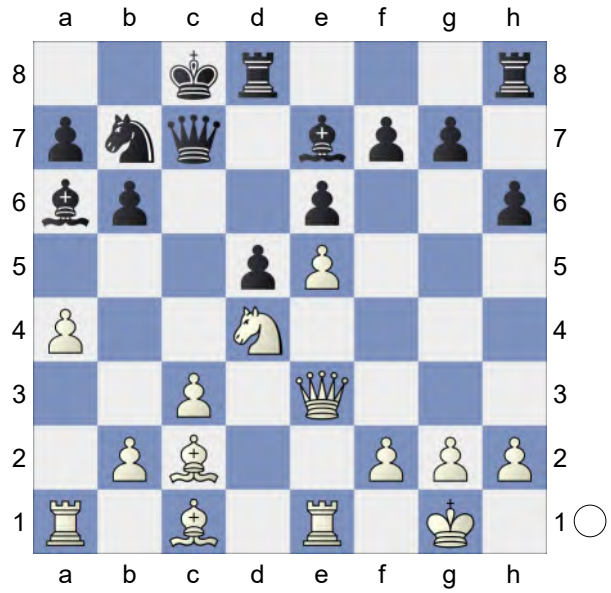
B18: Classical Caro-Kann: 4...Bf5 sidelines **1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 dxe4 4.Nxe4 Bf5 5.Ng3 Bg6 6.Nf3 Nd7 7.Bd3 Ngf6 8.Bxg6 hxg6 9.Qe2 e6 10.Bd2 Qc7 11.0-0-0** White has an edge. **11...Bd6 12.Kb1N**
[12.Ng5 c5 13.d5 Nxd5 14.Nxe6 fxe6 15.Qxe6+ Ne7 16.Ne4 Bf4 17.Kb1 Qe5 18.Qxd7+ Kxd7 19.Bxf4+ Qd5 20.c4 Qxd1+ 21.Rxd1+ Ke6 22.g4 Rhd8 23.Ng5+ Kf6 24.Re1 Rd6 25.Ne4+ Kf7 26.Nxd6+ Kf6 1-0 Hehn,H-Braun,H Pfarrkirchen op 1989 27.g5#]
12...Bf4 13.Bxf4 Qxf4 14.h3 0-0-0 15.Rd3 Rhe8 16.Rhd1 Kb8 17.Qe1 Qc7 18.c4 Prevents Nf6-d5 **18...Nh5 19.Nxh5 gxh5 20.Qd2 Nb6 21.b3 f6** Against Qd2-g5 **22.h4 Na8 23.Qe1 Qf4 24.Kb2 Nc7 25.Qc3 Rd7 26.Re1 Red8 27.Rde3 Qf5 28.Qc2 Qf4 29.Qc3 Qf5 30.Qc2 Qf4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.10 (very precise) / Black=0.11 (very precise)
½-½

A47

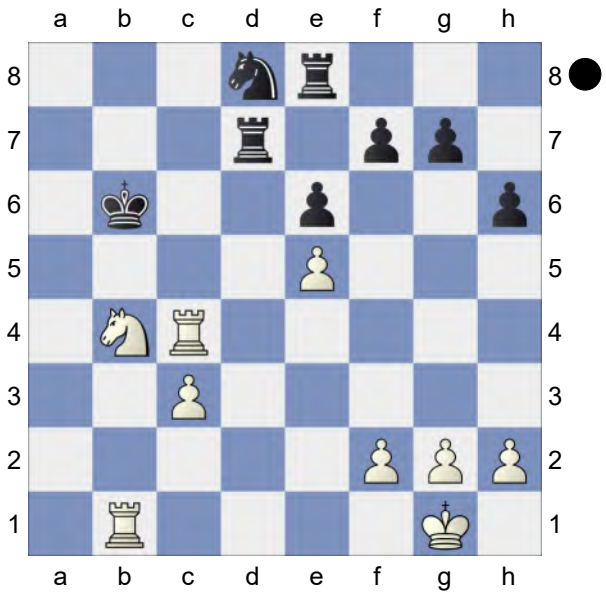
☐ **Spielmann,Rudolf**
■ **Alatortsev,Vladimir**
Moscow (2) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A47: 1 d4 Nf6 2 Nf3 b6: Torre, London and Colle Systems ChessCalisthenics: 'A31: Symmetrical English: 2 Nf3 Nf6 3 d4' Inf 6/647 **1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 b6 3.e3N**
[3.c4 c5 4.d5 e6 5.Nc3 exd5 6.cxd5 d6 7.e4 Be7 8.e5 dxe5 9.Bb5+ Kf8 10.Nxe5 Bd6 11.f4 a6 12.Be2 b5 13.0-0 Bb7 14.Bf3 Nbd7 15.Be3 Qc7 16.Qd2 h6 17.Nxd7+ Qxd7 1-0 Jimenez Zerquera,E-Drimer, D La 6/647 Havana 1968 18.Ne4 Nxe4 19.Bxe4 Re8 20.Bc2 Qc7 21.h3 c4 22.Kh1 Bc5 23.Rfe1 Rd8 24.Be4 h5 25.Rad1 Rh6 26.Bf3 b4 27.Qf2 Bxe3 28.Qxe3 Qd6 29.Rd4 a5 30.Rxc4 h4 31.Re4 Qd7 32.Re7 Qb5 1-0 Jimenez,E-Drimer,D La Habana La Habana 6/647 1968]
[3.g3 Bb7 4.Bg2 c5 5.0-0 cxd4 *(5...g6 6.c4 Bg7 7.Nc3 0-0 8.d5 d6 9.e4 Na6 10.Re1 Nd7 11.Bf4 f6 12.a3 Nc7 13.b4 Ne5 14.Nxe5 fxe5 15.Be3 Qd7 16.Qd2 Rfb8 17.Reb1 Bc8 18.Rb3 Rb7 19.Rab1 Rab8 20.R1b2* 0-1 Filip,M-Kortschnoj,V (ol) 10/645 Siegen 1970*)* 6.Nxd4 Bxg2 7.Kxg2 g6 8.c4 Qc8 9.b3 Bg7 10.Bb2 0-0 11.e3 Rd8 12.Nc3 Nc6 13.e4 Nxe4 14.Nxe4 d5 15.Ng5 dxc4 16.Qf3 Ne5 17.Qe3 h6 ½-½ Charnushevich,A (2435)-Inkiov,V (2448) Evry 1st 2001 (1)]
3...Bb7 4.Nbd2 e6 5.Bd3 c5 6.c3 Nc6 7.0-0 Qc7 8.Qe2 Be7 9.e4 cxd4 10.Nxd4 d5 The position is equal. **11.Nxc6 Bxc6** 0.72/23
[11...dxe4!= 0.26/24 was preferrable.

12.Nxe4 Bxc6]
12.e5± Nd7 13.Nf3 Nc5 14.Bc2 Bb7 15.Re1 Ba6 16.Qe3 h6 17.Nd4 0-0-0 1.60/22
[⌓17...Ne4 0.95/19]
18.a4 Nb7? 3.14/23
[18...Kb8± 1.51/21 was called for. 19.a5 b5]



19.b4+- Bc4 20.Bd3 1.31/20
[20.a5+- 2.82/20 has better winning chances.]
20...Bxd3 2.10/22
[20...Kb8± 1.31/20 21.a5 bxa5]
21.Qxd3 Qc4 22.Qxc4+ dxc4 23.Nc6 Rd7 3.63/24
[23...Rd3 1.99/24 might work better.]
24.Nxa7+ Kb8 25.Nb5
[25.Nc6+ Kc7+-]
25...Bd8 26.Be3 Bc7 27.Bd4 Rc8 28.a5 bxa5 29.Na7 Re8 30.Nc6+ Ka8 31.bxa5
[Weaker is 31.Nxa5 Nxa5 32.f4 *(32.bxa5 Bb8±)* 32...Rd5 *(32...Rxd4? 33.cxd4 Bb6 34.Red1+-)* 33.bxa5 Rb8±]
31...Rd5 4.81/23
[⌓31...Nd8 3.24/24]
32.Bb6 Rd7 Black is weak on the dark squares **33.Re4 Nd8 34.Nb4**
[34.Rxc4 Nxc6 35.Rxc6 Bxb6±]
34...Kb7 35.Rxc4 Bxb6 36.axb6 Kxb6 37.Rb1



White threatens Nb4-d5+ and mate.
37...Ka7 38.Nc6+ White took control after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.19 (very precise) / Black=0.56
1-0

D56

□ **Stahlberg,Gideon**
■ **Lasker,Emanuel**
Moscow (2) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D56: Queen's Gambit Declined: Lasker Defence **1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3 Be7 5.Bg5 0-0 6.e3 h6 7.Bh4 Ne4 8.Bxe7 Qxe7 9.Qc2 Nf6 10.Bd3 dxc4 11.Bxc4 c5 12.0-0 Nc6 13.Rfd1N**
[13.Rad1 b6 14.a3 Bb7 15.Ba2 Rac8 16.Qe2 Rfd8 17.Rfe1 cxd4 18.exd4 Qc7 19.d5 exd5 20.Nxd5

Nxd5 21.Bxd5 Na5 22.Ba2 Rxd1 23.Rxd1 Bxf3 24.Qxf3 Nc4 25.h3 Ne5 26.Qf5 g6 27.Qf6 Qc2 1-0 Tarnowska,A-Damman,R ARG corr 1983 (2)]

13...Bd7 The position is equal. **14.dxc5 Qxc5 15.Ne4 Nxe4 16.Qxe4 Rad8 17.Bd3 Qf5 18.Qxf5 exf5 19.Bb5 Nb8 20.Bxd7 Rxd7 21.Rxd7 Nxd7⩲** KRN-KRN **22.Rc1** Dodges Rf8-c8. Hoping for Rc1-c7. **22...Nb6 23.Nd4 g6 24.Kf1 Rc8 25.Rxc8+ Nxc8 26.Ke2 Kf8** Weighted Error Value: White=0.03 (flawless) /Black=0.08 (flawless)
½-½

A34

□ **Botvinnik,Mikhail**
■ **Menchik,Vera**
Moscow (3) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A34: Symmetrical English: 2 Nc3, lines with ...d5 Pinter,J: 'Inf 33/72' **1.c4 Nf6 2.Nc3 c5 3.Nf3**
[3.e4 Nc6 4.g3 e6 5.Bg2 d5 6.cxd5 exd5 7.Nxd5 Nxd5 8.exd5 Nb4 9.Ne2 Bf5 10.d3 Nxd3+ 11.Kf1 Bd6 12.Be3 0-0 13.g4 Bg6 14.h4 Re8 15.Qd2 Ne5 16.h5 Nc4 17.Qc3 Nxe3+ 1-0 Duda,J (2732)-Keymer,V (2690) Berlin Armageddon Euro&Africa W 2023 (2.1)]
3...d5 4.cxd5 Nxd5 5.e4N
[5.e3 e6 6.Qc2 Nc6 7.a3 Be7 8.Be2 0-0 9.0-0 b6 10.d3 Bb7 11.Bd2 Rc8 12.Qa4 Qd7 13.b4 cxb4 14.Nxd5 Qxd5 15.e4 Qa5 16.Qb3 Qb5 17.Rfe1 Na5 18.Qb2 b3 19.a4 Qd7 ½-½ Djuric,S-Rashkovski ENG-NED 2019 ICCF 20.Bxa5 bxa5 21.Qxb3 Bb4 22.Red1 Rc3 23.Qb1 Bc6 24.Ne5 Qd4 25.Nf3 Qd7 26.Ne5 ½-½ Kortschnoj,V-Pinter,J 33/72 Roma 1982]
5...Nb4 6.Bc4 e6 7.0-0 N8c6 Prevents d2-d4 **8.d3! Be7** 1.29/21
[Better is 8...Nd4⩲ 0.36/20]
9.a3± White is better. **9...Na6 10.Be3 Nab8 11.Rc1 0-0 12.Qd2** 0.26/19
[12.Ne2⩲ 0.66/20]
12...Nd4= 13.Bxd4! cxd4 14.Ne2 Nc6 15.b4 -0.04/19
[15.e5⩲ 0.38/17 feels stronger.]
15...a6! 16.Bb3 Qd6 17.Ne1 -0.60/20
[17.Rc2!= -0.01/17]
17...Kh8 18.f4 f6 0.15/20
[Black should try 18...b5∓ -0.47/20]
19.Nf3 Bd7 20.Ng3 Rac8 21.Rfe1 0.03/17
[21.Rce1!⩲ 0.52/20 is more appropriate.]
21...a5 0.67/22 **22.e5⩲ Qb8** 1.10/20
[⌓22...fxe5 0.71/21 23.fxe5 Qc7]
23.exf6 0.67/21
[23.bxa5?! fxe5 24.fxe5 Qc7=]
[23.b5± 1.10/20 And now e5xf6 would win. Bxa3 24.exf6 *(24.bxc6 Bxc1 25.Rxc1 Bxc6±)* 24...Rxf6 25.bxc6 Bxc1 26.Rxc1 *(26.Qxc1 Bxc6 27.Ne5 a4=)* 26...Bxc6 27.Nxd4]
23...Rxf6 24.b5
[24.bxa5 Bxa3 25.Rc4 Bd6∓ *(25...Qxf4 26.Qa2=; 25...Rxf4 26.Ba4∓)*]
24...Nd8 1.27/20
[24...Bxa3⩲ 0.36/21 25.bxc6 Bxc1 26.Rxc1 *(26.Qxc1 Bxc6 27.Ne5 a4=)* 26...Bxc6]
25.Rxc8±
[25.Nxd4 Rxc1 26.Qxc1 a4 27.Bxa4 Rxf4∓]
25...Bxc8 1.70/20 Black is weak on the light squares
[25...Qxc8± 1.29/20 26.Ne4

(26.Qxa5 Rxf4 27.a4 b6±; 26.Nxd4 Bc5∓) 26...Rf8]

26.Ne5+-

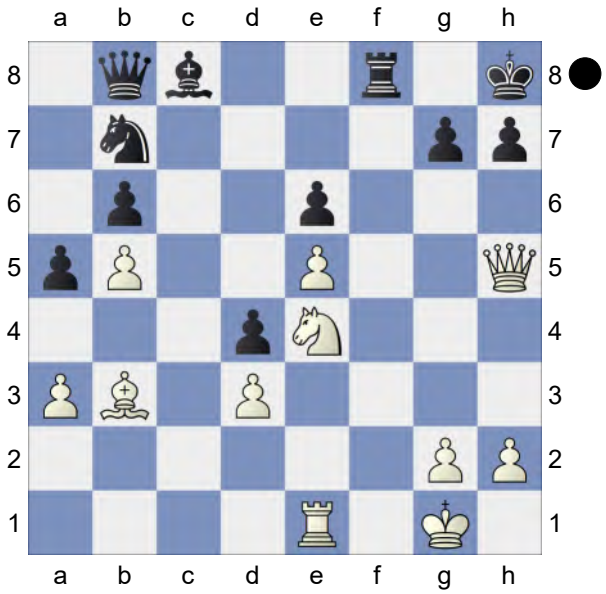
[26.Qxa5?! b6 27.Qd2 Rxf4±]

26...b6 27.Qc1 Rf8 28.Ne4 A dynamic duo of knights. **28...Nb7 29.Qd1** 1.36/20

[29.Nc6+- 1.76/22 Qc7 30.f5 *(30.Nxd4 Qxc1 31.Rxc1 Nc5=)*]

29...Bf6± 30.Qh5 White has more active pieces. **30...Bxe5 31.fxe5**

[Don't play 31.Ng5 h6 32.fxe5 *(32.Rxe5 Qc7∓)* 32...Nc5±]



aiming for Ne4-g5. **31...h6 32.Bc4** 0.84/22

[White should play 32.Nf6 1.45/22 Qc7 33.Qg6 gxf6 34.Qxh6+ Kg8 35.exf6]

32...Qc7 33.Ng5→ 0.01/24 White is up to no good.

[33.h3± 0.97/21]

33...Nc5 0.78/23

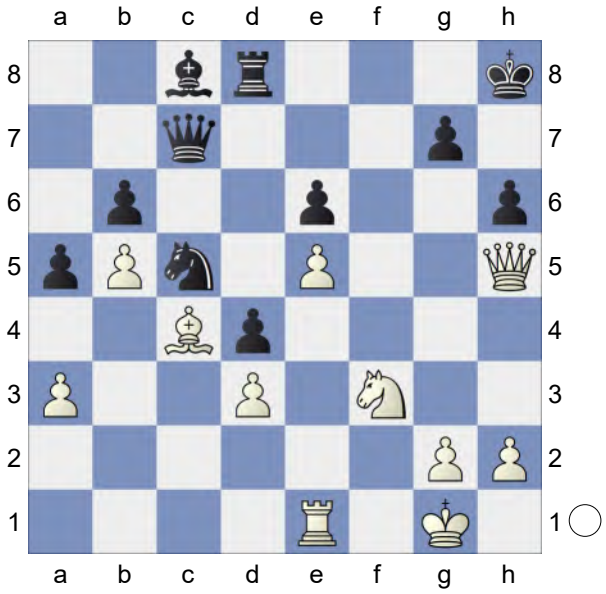
[33...Qe7= 0.01/24 remains equal. 34.Nf3 Qxa3]

34.Nf3 0.16/21

[34.Rf1± 0.78/23 Rxf1+ 35.Kxf1]

34...Rd8 1.84/23

[34...Bb7= 0.16/21 and Black is okay.]



35.Qg4 Qd7 36.Nh4 Kg8? 3.08/23

[36...Qe8± 1.35/22 is a better defense.]

37.Nf5+- Bb7? 6.60/25

[37...Kh8 2.25/20]

38.Nxh6+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.21 (precise) /Black=0.51

1-0

D70

□ **Goglidze,Victor Arsentievich**
■ **Spielmann,Rudolf**
Moscow (3) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D70: Grünfeld: Unusual White 3rd moves (met by ...d5) Ljubojevic,Lj: 'Inf 48/(60)' **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.f3**

[3.Nf3 Bg7 4.g3 c5 5.Bg2 cxd4 6.Nxd4 0-0 7.Nc3 Nc6 8.0-0 Nxd4 9.Qxd4 d6 10.Bd2 Bd7 11.c5 Ne8 12.Qb4 a5 13.Qxb7 Rb8 14.Qa7 Rxb2 15.Ne4 Rxd2 16.Nxd2 Bxa1 17.Rxa1 dxc5 Ljubojevic,L (2635)-Ehlvest,J (2620) Beograd 48/(60)

1989]
[3.Nd2 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Ngf3 0-0 6.Bd3 c5 7.d5 e6 8.0-0 Re8 9.h3 Na6 10.Re1 Bd7 11.Nf1 exd5 12.cxd5 c4 13.Bc2 Nc5 14.Ng3 Bb5 15.Bg5 h6 16.Bd2 Nfd7 17.Bc3 Ba6 1-0 Lazarevic,M (2646)-9.b3 ♖e8 10. h 3 _ 6 8 7 6 6 (2 5 3 1) F r e n c h Championship Cande 2011]

3...d5N
[3...Nc6 4.e4 e5 5.dxe5 Nxe5 6.Be3 Bg7 7.Nc3 0-0 8.Qd2 d6 9.Rd1 c6 10.b3 d5 11.Nge2 Qa5 12.cxd5 cxd5 13.exd5 Re8 14.Ng3 Neg4 15.fxg4 Qb6 16.Be2 Qxe3 17.Qxe3 Rxe3 18.g5 Gomez Vasquez,L-Machado Escanio, M 4.d4 cxd4 5.Nxd4 Rare moves 2023 Rxc3 19.gxf6 Bxf6 20.0-0 Bd8 21.Bc4 Rc2 22.a4 Bd7 3 Chapter-Games Chapter 1 Game]

4.cxd5 Nxd5 5.e4 Nb6 6.Be3 Bg7 7.Nc3 0-0 8.Rc1 Nc6 9.d5 Ne5 Black wants to play ...e7-e6. **10.Bd4 c6 11.f4 Ng4** aiming for ...e7-e5. **12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.Be2 e5 14.Bxg4 Qh4+ 15.g3 Qxg4** 0.19/21
[15...Qh6+- 2.42/18 16.Bxc8 *(16.fxe5 Bxg4 17.Nge2 Nd7∓)* 16...Raxc8]

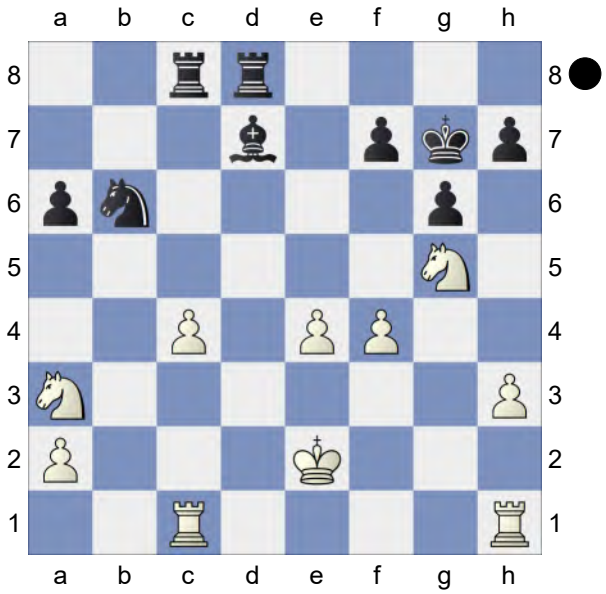
16.Qxg4=
[16.fxe5 Qxd1+ 17.Rxd1 Nc4-+]

16...Bxg4 17.dxc6
[17.fxe5 cxd5 18.exd5 Rac8∓]

17...bxc6 18.h3 Be6 19.Nf3 exf4 20.gxf4 Rfd8 21.b3 c5 22.Nb5 Rac8 Dodges Nb5-c7 **23.Ke2 a6 24.Na3** -1.24/21
[White should play 24.Nc3∓ -0.38/21]

24...c4 -0.78/21
[⌓24...f5! -1.24/21 25.exf5 Bxf5]

25.Ng5 Bd7 ...Bd7-c6 would now be deadly. **26.bxc4**



Nxc4 -0.38/24 **27.Rxc4∓**
[Of course not 27.Nxc4 Bb5 28.a4 Bxc4+ 29.Kf2 Rd2+ 30.Kg3 Ra2∓]

27...Rxc4 -0.01/21
[27...Bb5∓ -0.45/26 28.Rhc1 Bxc4+ 29.Rxc4 *(29.Nxc4? too greedy. Rd4-+)* 29...Rxc4 *(29...h6 30.Nf3±)* 30.Nxc4 Rd4]

28.Nxc4= The position is equal.
28...Bb5! 29.Rc1 Rd4! 30.Ke3 Rxc4 31.Rxc4 Bxc4 32.a3 Weighted Error Value: White=0.12 (very precise) / Black=0.11 (very precise)
½-½

D53

□ **Alatortsev,Vladimir**
■ **Capablanca,Jose Raul**
Moscow (3) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D53: Queen's Gambit Declined: 4 Bg5 Be7: Early deviations **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Bg5 Be7 5.e3 0-0 6.cxd5 Nxd5**
[6...exd5 7.Bd3 Nbd7 *(7...c6 8.Qc2 Nbd7 9.Nf3 Re8 10.0-0 h6 11.Bh4*

Ne4 12.Bxe7 Qxe7 13.Rab1 a5 14.h3 Ndf6 15.Bxe4 Nxe4 16.Nxe4 dxe4 17.Ne5 f6 18.Nc4 Be6 19.a3 f5 20.b4 axb4 21.axb4 Ra6 22.Ne5 0-1 Rouillon,R (1796)-Gallant,A (2110) Rohde op 12th Sautron 2012 (7) *)* 8.Qc2 Re8 9.Nge2 Nf8 10.0-0 c6 11.f3 c5 12.Rad1 cxd4 13.Nxd4 Nh5 14.Bxe7 Rxe7 15.Qf2 Nf6 16.Rfe1 a6 17.Bc2 Be6 18.e4 Rd7 19.e5 Nh5 20.f4 g6 21.h3 1-0 Tazbir,M (2523)-Kosiorek,M (2359) POL-chT 66th Katowice 2010 (4)]

7.Bxe7 Qxe7 8.Nf3N

[8.Nxd5 exd5 9.Bd3 c5 10.Ne2 Nc6 11.dxc5 d4 12.exd4 Nxd4 13.0-0 Bg4 14.f3 Nxe2+ 15.Qxe2 Qxc5+ 16.Qf2 Qxf2+ 17.Rxf2 Be6 18.Be4 Rab8 19.Rd2 Rfd8 20.Rad1 Rxd2 21.Rxd2 Kf8 22.a3 Ke7 ½-½ Smyslov,V-Geller,E URS-ch22 Finalplof Geller-Smyslov+1-0=6 Moscow 1955 (1)]

8...Nxc3 9.bxc3 b6 10.Be2 Bb7 11.0-0 c5 12.Ne5 Nc6 13.Nxc6 Bxc6 The position is equal. **14.Bf3 Rac8 15.a4 cxd4 16.cxd4 g6 17.Bxc6 Rxc6 18.Qd3 Qb7 19.Rfb1 Rfc8 20.h3 a6 21.Qa3 Rc2 22.Qd6?** -2.51/23

[22.Rf1∓ -0.44/20]

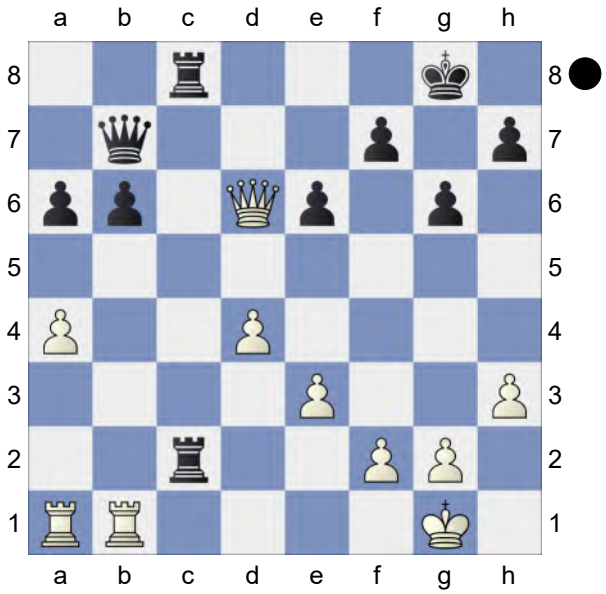
(Diagram)

22...Rxf2!!-+ Decoy, Clearance **23.Qg3**

[23.Kxf2? perishes. Rc2+ 24.Ke1 Qxg2 25.Qb8+ Kg7 26.Qe5+ f6-+]

23...Re2 Weighted Error Value: White=0.34/Black=0.03 (flawless)

0-1



B73

□ **Kan,Ilia Abramovich**

■ **Chekhover,Vitaly**

Moscow (3) 1935

[Kitty Kat]

B73: Sicilian Dragon: Classical System without 9 Nb3 **1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6**

[4...Qb6 5.Nb3 Nf6 6.Bd3 d6 7.0-0 g6 8.c4 Bg7 9.Nc3 0-0 10.Be3 Qd8 11.Be2 b6 12.f3 Bb7 13.Qd2 Rc8 14.Rac1 Nd7 15.Rfd1 Nc5 16.Nd4 Nxd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4+ 18.Qxd4 Qe8 19.b4 1-0 Dominguez,L (2596)-Gonzalez,J (2518) XIV Carlos Torre 2001 (11)]

[4...d6 5.c4 Nf6 6.Nc3 Qb6 7.Nxc6 bxc6 8.Be2 g6 9.0-0 Bg7 10.Qc2 0-0 11.Be3 Qc7 12.Rac1 Ng4 13.Bxg4 Bxg4 14.h3 Be6 15.Ne2 c5 16.Nf4 Rfb8 17.Rb1 a5 18.Nd5 Bxd5 19.exd5 1-0 Fuks,M (2095)-Dalkiran,S (1993) 4/385 United States 1967 (4)]

5.Nc3 d6 6.Be2 g6 7.Be3N

[7.Nb3 Bg7 8.0-0 0-0 9.f4 a5 10.a4 Qb6+ 11.Kh1 Nb4 12.Bf3 Be6 13.Ra3 Rac8 14.Re1 Ng4 15.Bxg4 Bxg4 16.Qxg4 Bxc3 17.Re2 Bxb2 18.Bxb2 Nxc2 19.Qf3 Nxa3 20.Bxa3 Rc4 21.Nd2 Rxa4 0-1 Semrl,M-Kohn,H ch-semi-finals Leeuwarden NED 2001 (4) 22.e5 Qd4 23.Nf1 b5 24.exd6 exd6 25.g3 Rc8 26.Bb2 Qc5 27.Ne3 Ra2 28.Rc2 Qxc2 29.Nxc2 Rxb2 30.Ne1 Rc1 31.Qe4 Rbb1 32.Kg2 Rxe1 33.Qa8+ Kg7 34.Qxa5 b4 35.f5 Rb2+ 36.Kh3 Ree2 0-1 Roedl,L-Engels,L Bad Nauheim Olympia Trainingsturnier 1935 (4)]

7...Bg7 8.Qd2 Bd7 9.0-0 0-0 10.Rad1 Rc8 11.Nb3 Re8 12.h3 Be6 13.Nd4 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 a6 0.41/20

[14...Qa5= -0.01/19 might be stronger.]

15.f4!± Bc4 16.Bxc4 Rxc4 17.Qd3 0.01/20

[17.e5± 0.44/20 is superior. Nd7 18.Qf2]

17...Rc6 18.Qf3 -0.05/20

[18.Kh1± 0.31/19]

18...Rf8 0.39/18

[18...Nd7= -0.05/20]

19.Kh1 Ne8 20.Bxg7 Nxg7 21.f5 e6 Against Nc3-d5 **22.f6** 0.01/22

[22.fxe6± 0.37/18 fxe6 23.Qd3]

22...Ne8!= 23.e5 Threatens to win with Qf3-f4. **23...Qc7** 0.34/22

[23...Qa5= -0.18/22]

24.exd6

[24.Qf4 is interesting. dxe5 25.Qh6 Rc4 26.Rde1]

24...Nxd6 25.Qe3! Rd8

[25...Nf5 26.Rxf5 exf5 27.Nd5+-]

26.Qd2! Rc8 0.82/22

[26...h5= 0.21/19 keeps the balance.]

27.Rf3 -0.51/22

[27.Qh6± 0.82/22 Ne8 *(27...Nf5 28.Rxf5* Remove Defender *)* 28.Ne4]

27...Ne8∓

[27...Nf5? 28.Rxf5+-]

28.Re1 Rd6 29.Qh6 Rcd8 0.05/20

[29...Qd8∓ -0.41/20 was preferrable.]

30.Rff1= aiming for Nc3-e4. **30...e5** 0.80/22 **31.Ne4↑** White is on the roll. White is much more active.

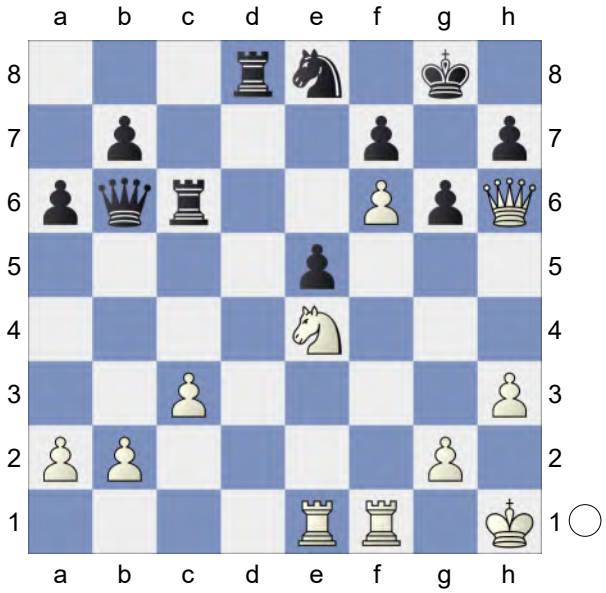
[31.Rxe5 Nxf6 32.Qf4 R8d7]

31...Rc6 32.c3 0.40/20

[32.c4± 1.06/21]

32...Qb6 1.59/20

[32...Rd7!± 0.40/20]



33.Ng5! Nxf6

[33...Qxb2 34.Qxh7+ Kf8 35.Qxf7#]

34.Rxe5 0.15/24

[34.Nxf7!± 1.06/23 Re8 *(34...Kxf7? 35.Qxh7+ Kf8 36.Rxe5+-)* 35.Nxe5]

34...Rcc8 4.87/22

[34...Rcd6= 0.15/24]

35.Re7? 0.27/25

[35.Nxh7+- 4.87/22 Nxh7 36.Rh5 gxh5 37.Qxb6]

35...Rc7!= 36.Re2 Hoping for Re2-f2.

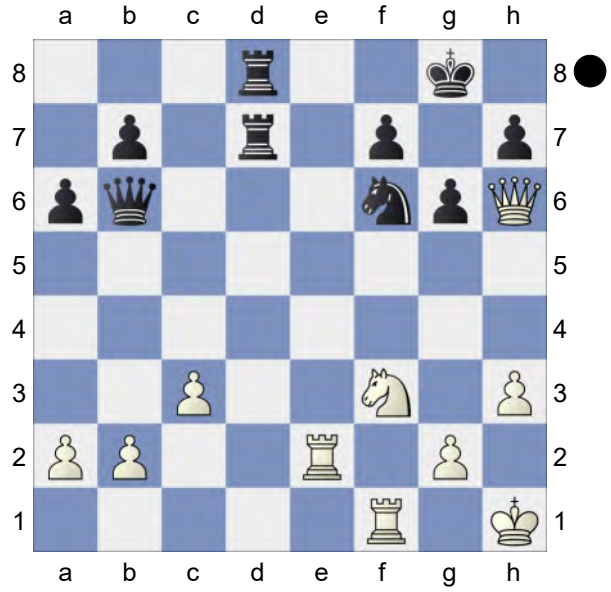
[Don't go for 36.Rxf6? Qxf6 37.Qxh7+ *(37.Rxc7?* is a self mate.

Rd1+ 38.Kh2 Qf4+ 39.g3 Qf2#) 37...Kf8-+]

[36.Ree1!? Rcd7 37.Qh4±]

36...Rcd7 37.Nf3? -4.33/24

[37.Ree1= 0.07/22 and White has nothing to worry.]



37...Rd1? -1.28/22

[37...Nh5!-+ -4.33/24 is more deadly. ...Nh5-g3+ would now be deadly. 38.Qg5 Qc7]

38.Rxd1∓ Rxd1+ 39.Ne1 Qb5 40.Qe3 Nh5 41.Kh2 Qd7 42.Qe8+ Qxe8 43.Rxe8+ Kg7 44.Nf3 Against Rd1-d2. Weighted Error Value: White=0.60/ Black=0.56

½-½

C17

□ **Lasker,Emanuel**
■ **Bohatirchuk,Fedor Parfenovich**
Moscow (3) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

C17: French: 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 e5 c5 sidelines **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e5 c5N**

[4...Qd7 5.a3 *(5.Qg4 Bf8 6.Bg5 b6 7.f4 Ba6 8.Bxa6 Nxa6 9.Nge2 g6 10.a3 Be7 11.0-0 0-0-0 12.b4 h6 13.Bxe7 Nxe7 14.b5 Nb8 15.a4 Nf5 16.Qf3 g5 17.a5 Rhg8 18.axb6 cxb6 19.Qd3 Qe7* 1-0 Gascon del Nogal,J (2477)-Ider,B (2514) Rochefort op-A17th 2018 (4.6)*)* 5...Bf8 6.Nh3 b6 7.Nf4 Ne7 8.Bb5 c6 9.Ba4 Ba6 10.Nce2 Ng6 11.0-0 Nxf4 12.Bxf4 Be7 13.Re1 Bb5 14.Bb3 Bc4 15.Bxc4 dxc4 16.Nc3 0-0 17.Qg4 f5 18.exf6 Rxf6 19.Rad1 1-0 Shvets,V-8.♕e2 ♗b4 9. 0-0-0 (ch) 106/(62) Chiva 2009]

[4...Ne7 5.a3 Bxc3+ *(5...Ba5 6.b4 Bb6 7.Nf3 a5 8.Rb1 axb4 9.axb4 Nd7 10.Bd3 f5 11.Ne2 Nf8 12.c3 Nfg6 13.h4 Bd7 14.h5 Nf8 15.g4 fxg4 16.Nh2 Nf5 17.Nxg4 h6 18.Ng3 Qe7 19.Nxf5 exf5 20.Ne3* 1-0 Boleslavsky,I-Ragozin,V Sverdlovsk 1943*)* 6.bxc3 b6 7.Nh3 Ng6 8.a4 Ba6 9.Bxa6 Nxa6 10.0-0 Nb8 11.Qg4 Nc6 12.Bg5 Qd7 13.Nf4 Nxf4 14.Bxf4 Rg8 15.Qh5 h6 16.Bc1 Na5 17.Qe2 Nc4 18.f4 a5 19.g4 0-1 Nxd4 Rc8 (2425)-Habgood,K (2595) 61/129 Berlin 1994 (5)]

5.Bd2 Nc6 6.Nb5 Bxd2+ 7.Qxd2 Nxd4 8.Nxd4 cxd4 9.Nf3 Ne7 10.Nxd4 Nc6 11.Nxc6 -0.17/22

[11.f4± 0.36/20]

11...bxc6= 12.Bd3 Qb6 The position is equal. **13.Rb1 0-0 14.0-0 f6** 0.56/22

[14...Ba6= -0.17/20]

15.Rfe1 0.15/20

[15.exf6± 0.56/22 Rxf6 16.c4]

15...Bd7 16.b4 f5 0.84/19

[Black should play 16...a5± 0.33/21]

17.c4± Qd4 18.Qe3 Qxe3 19.fxe3 0.01/20

[19.Rxe3± 0.42/21 Rfb8 20.cxd5 cxd5 21.b5]

19...Rfb8!= 20.a4 a6 0.65/20

[20...Rb7= 0.01/19]

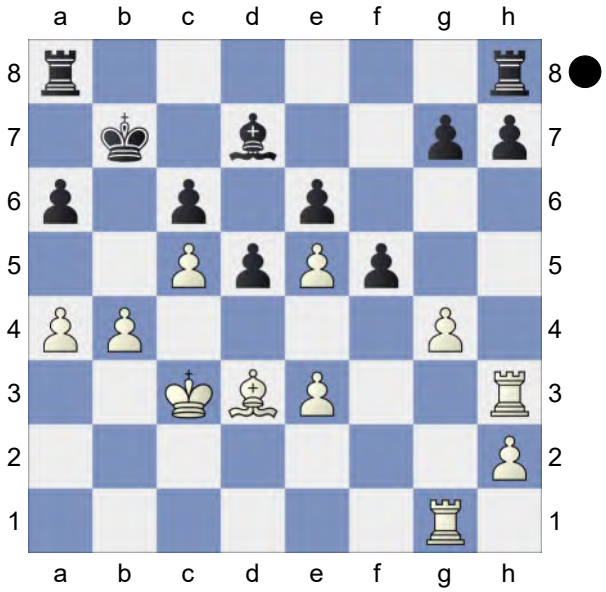
21.c5 Kf7 22.Kf2 Ke7 23.Ke2 Kd8 24.Kd2 Kc7 25.Kc3 Rf8 26.Rf1 Be8 1.07/21

[Better is 26...h5± 0.44/20]

27.Rf3 Bd7 28.Rh3 Rh8 29.Rg1 aiming for g2-g4. **29...Kb7** 2.22/22

[29...a5± 1.09/22]

30.g4+-



And now g4xf5 would win. **30...g6 31.Rh6** Black is weak on the dark squares **31...Raf8 32.h4 Be8** 3.47/22

[⌓32...fxg4 2.38/21 33.Rxg4 Rfg8]

33.h5 1.69/19

[⌓33.gxf5 3.47/22 exf5 34.h5]

33...fxg4 34.Rxg4

(Diagram)

Black must now prevent Rg4-f4.

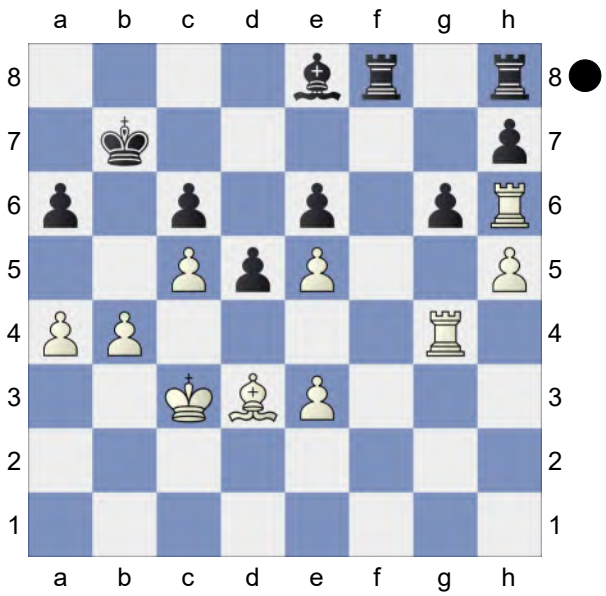
34...gxh5 35.Rg7+

[35.Rxh7+? Rxh7 36.Rh4 Rhh8-+]

35...Rf7 36.Rxf7+

[36.Rgxh7 Rfxh7 37.Bxh7 Bf7-+]

36...Bxf7 Endgame. KRB-KRB **37.Kd2**



1.30/22

[37.Rxh7? Rxh7 38.Be2 h4-+]

[37.Bxh7 Kc8 38.a5 Kd7-+ *(38...Bg8 39.Rg6∓)*]

[White should try 37.e4+- 1.82/23]

37...Kc7 2.05/22

[37...h4± 1.30/22 38.Rxh4 h5]

38.Ke2

[38.Rxh7?! Rxh7 39.Bxh7 h4±]

[38.Bxh7? Kd8 *(38...Bg8? 39.Rg6-+)* 39.Kc3 Ke8-+ *(39...Bg8 40.Rg6∓)*]

38...Kb7 39.a5 White has more active pieces.

[39.Bxh7? Bg8 40.Rxh5 Rxh7-+ *(40...Bxh7 41.Kd2=)*]

39...h4 2.63/26

[39...Kc7± 1.34/22 was called for. 40.Bxa6 Bg6]

40.Rxh7

[Don't play 40.Rxh4 h5 41.Rf4 Be8]

[40.Bxh7? is the wrong capture. Bg8 41.Rxh4 Rxh7-+ *(41...Bxh7 42.Kd2=)*]

40...Rxh7 41.Bxh7 KB-KB **41...Be8 42.Kf3 Bd7**

[But not 42...Bh5+? 43.Kf4+-]

43.Kg4 Kc7 44.Kxh4 Strongly

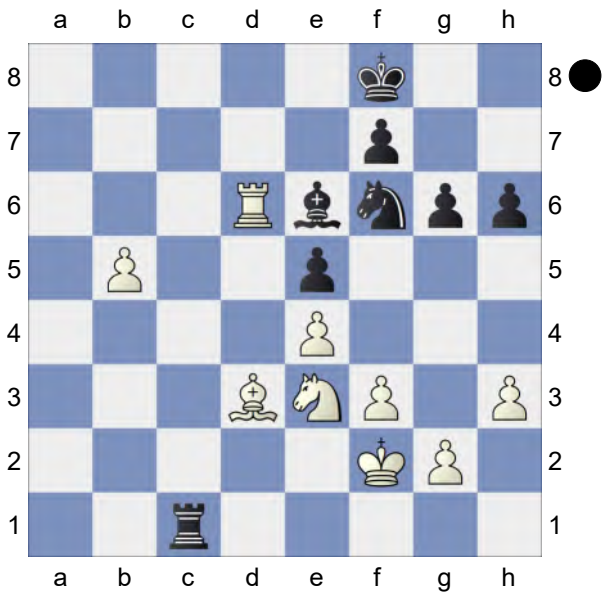
threatening Kh4-g5. **44...Kd8 45.Kg5 Ke7 46.Bd3 Bc8 47.Kg6 Bb7 48.Bf1 Bc8 49.Be2** White has a decisive advantage. **49...Bb7 50.Bd3 Bc8 51.e4** Threatens to win with e4xd5. **51...d4 52.Bc4 Bb7 53.Kg5 Bc8 54.Kf4 Kd7 55.Kf3 Bb7 56.Ke2 Bc8 57.Kd3 Bb7 58.Kxd4 Bc8 59.Ke3 Bb7** Weighted Error Value: White=0.18 (very precise) /Black=0.20 (precise) . An unexpected result.
½-½

D52

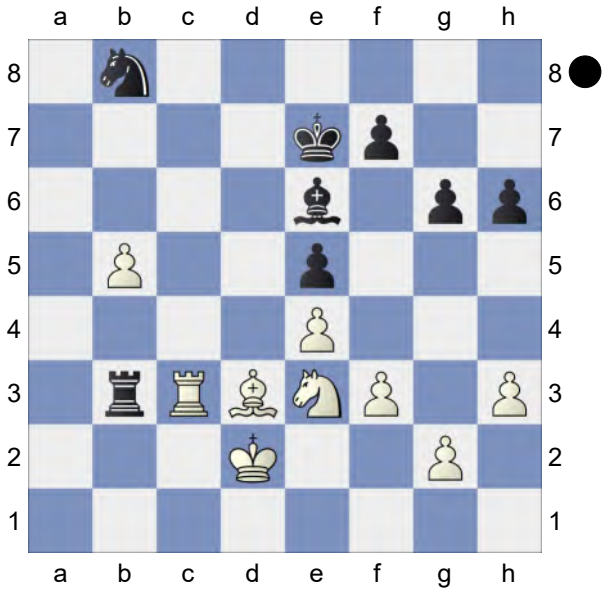
□ **Levenfish,Grigory**
■ **Stahlberg,Gideon**
Moscow (3) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D60: Queen's Gambit Declined: Classical: Unusual White 7th moves
1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3 e6 5.Bg5 Nbd7 6.e3 Be7 7.Bd3N
[7.cxd5 exd5 8.Bd3 h6 *(8...0-0 9.Qc2 Re8 10.0-0 Nf8 11.h3 g6 12.Bf4 Ne6 13.Be5 Ng7 14.Rab1 Bf5 15.b4 a6 16.a4 Bxd3 17.Qxd3 b5 18.Rfc1 Nf5 19.e4 dxe4 20.Nxe4 Nxe4 21.Qxe4 Qd5 22.Qxd5 cxd5 23.axb5* 1-0 ♘d7 10.d4 (2728)-Fox,A (2667) 113/(6) San Sebastian 2011 (5) *axb5 24.Rc6 Ra2 25.Rb6 f6 26.Bh2 Bxb4 27.g4 Ba5 28.Ra6 Ng7 29.Rxb5 Ra3 30.Kg2 Bb4 31.Rxa3 Bxa3 32.Rxd5 Be7 33.Ra5 Rd8 34.d5 Bb4 35.Rb5 Bc3 36.Kf1 h5 37.Ke2 hxg4 38.hxg4* 2 Deacon,F-Gons,G Part 4 Chapter 1 Game *)* 9.Bh4 0-0 10.Qc2 Re8 11.0-0 Ne4 12.Bxe7 Qxe7 13.Rab1 Nf8 14.b4 Bf5 15.Ne5 f6 16.Nf3 Qd7 17.Nd2 Nd6 18.Bxf5 Nxf5 19.Qb3 b6 20.b5 Red8 21.bxc6 Qxc6 ½-½ Baturina,M-Donchenko,A Portugal 2016 (2) 22.Rfc1 Kh8 23.Ne2 Qd6 24.Rc3 Rac8 25.Rbc1 Rxc3 26.Rxc3 Ne7 27.Qc2 Ne6 28.Qa4 Qd7 29.Qc2 Rc8 ½-½ Baturina,M-Donchenko,A St Petersburg Rapid Cup 2012 St Petersburg RUS (2)]
[7.Qc2 0-0 8.a3 Re8 9.Bd3 dxc4 10.Bxc4 Nd5 11.Bxe7 Qxe7 12.Ne4 b6 13.Ne5 Bb7 14.0-0 Rac8 15.b4 6) Semi-Slav: 5...Be7 & Other-Semi-Slav: 5...Be7 with 6...N Lifetime Repertoires: Plichta's Queen's 2023]
7...dxc4 8.Bxc4 Nd5 9.Bxe7 Qxe7 10.Qc2 Nxc3 11.Qxc3 0-0 12.0-0 b6 13.e4 0.01/20
[13.b4± 0.38/19 was preferrable.]
13...Bb7= 14.Rfe1 Rac8 15.Rad1 The position is equal. **15...Rfd8 16.h3 a5 17.a3 Qf6 18.Qe3 h6 19.Rd2** 0.23/20 White is more active.
[19.Nd2± 0.61/18]
19...Qe7 20.Red1 c5 21.Ba2 -0.01/20
[21.d5± 0.37/21]
21...Nf8 22.Bb1 cxd4 23.Rxd4 Rxd4 24.Qxd4 Qc5 25.Qxc5 Rxc5 26.Nd4 g6 27.f3 Ba6 28.Kf2 e5 29.Nc2 Bc4 30.Ne3 Be6 31.Rd6 b5 0.73/21
[31...Nd7= 0.09/21 remains equal.]
32.Bd3 Nd7 1.78/23 Repels Rd6-b6
[Better is 32...b4± 0.63/20]
33.b4+- axb4 34.axb4 Rc1 2.01/22
[34...Rc3± 1.49/24]
35.Bxb5 Nf6 36.Bd3 Wards off Rc1-b1. b4-b5 is the strong threat. **36...Kf8** 2.04/22
[36...Rc3± 1.57/23 37.b5 Kg7]
37.b5

(Diagram)



Threatens to win with b5-b6. **37...Ke7 38.Ra6 Rc3 39.Ke2 Rb3** 2.29/24
[39...Nd7± 1.47/20 was necessary. 40.Kd2 Rc7 41.Nd5+ Bxd5 42.exd5 Rc5 43.d6+ Ke6]
40.Kd2 Nd7 41.Rc6 Nb8 2.80/24
[41...Rb2+± 1.58/24 is a better defense. 42.Kc3 Rb3+ 43.Kc2 Rb4]
42.Rc3



Black must now prevent Rc3xb3.
42...Rb4 3.31/23
[⌓42...Rb2+ 2.26/24 43.Kc1 Rb4]
43.Ra3 Nd7 44.Kc3 Rd4 45.Bc4 Nc5 4.53/23
[⌓45...Bxc4 2.88/22 46.Nxc4 Rd1]
46.Ra7+ White is clearly winning.
46...Kd6 47.Bxe6 Kxe6 Endgame. KRN-KRN **48.Rc7 Rd3+ 49.Kc4 Rxe3 50.Kxc5** Strongly threatening b5-b6.
50...Re2 7.23/24
[⌓50...Rc3+ 4.30/24 51.Kb6 Rb3]
51.b6 Rxg2 52.b7 Hoping for Rc7-c6+.
52...Rc2+ 53.Kb6 Weighted Error Value: White=0.18 (very precise) / Black=0.31
1-0

D46

□ **Lisitsin,Georgy**
■ **Rabinovich,Ilya Leontievich**
Moscow (3) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D46: Semi-Slav: 5 e3 Nbd7 6 Bd3, Black avoids the Meran Inf 89/(382) Friendly matches are great opportunity to a) play a bit more casual, because the result is somewhat less important, b) meet new chessfriends you might not otherwise encounter in everyday tournament arena. I never played Edgar before, so I was looking forward to this game. **1.Nf3 d5 2.c4 c6 3.e3 Nf6 4.Nc3 e6 5.Qc2 Bd6 6.d4 Nbd7 7.Be2**
[7.g4 dxc4 8.Bxc4 b6 9.e4 Bb7 10.g5 Nh5 11.Be3 Qc7 12.Be2 Nf4 13.Bf1 f6 14.0-0-0 0-0-0 15.Kb1 Kb8 16.Rg1 a6 17.Rg4 Ng6 18.h4 Rhf8 Malakhov,V (2672)-Najer,E (2606) 89/(382) Russia 2003]
[7.b3 0-0 8.Bb2 e5 9.Be2 e4 10.Nd2 Nb8 11.h3 Na6 12.a3 Nc7 13.g4 Be7 14.0-0-0 b5 15.c5 a5 16.g5 Nd7 17.h4 b4 18.Na4 f5

19.Kb1 bxa3 20.Bxa3 Nb8 21.Nb6 Ra7 0-1 Flacker,E (2541)-Ljubicic,L (2603) ENG-CRO Friendly 2015]

7...dxc4N

[7...0-0 8.0-0 dxc4 9.Rd1 *(9.Bxc4 b5 10.Bb3 Bb7 11.e4 c5 12.Nxb5 Bxe4 13.Qe2 Bxf3 14.gxf3 Bb8 15.f4 a6 16.Qf3 Bxf4 17.Bxf4 axb5 18.Bd6 cxd4 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Rac1 Rd8 21.Rc7 Nc5 22.Rc1 Nfe4 23.Re1 Nd2* 0-1 Kortschnoj,V (2630)-Tukmakov,V (2580) 45/505 1987*)* 9...Qe7 10.Ng5 e5 11.d5 h6 12.dxc6 hxg5 13.cxd7 Bxd7 14.e4 Be6 15.Bxg5 Bc5 16.Kh1 Rac8 17.f4 Bd4 18.Bxf6 Qxf6 19.f5 Bd7 20.Nd5 Qd6 21.f6 gxf6 22.Rf1 1-0 Blatny,P (2490)-Eisterer,H (2340) Schlechter Memorial Vienna 1996 (3)]

8.Bxc4 Qe7 9.0-0 e5 10.Bd3 0-0 11.dxe5 Nxe5 12.Nxe5 Qxe5 13.f4 The position is equal. **13...Qh5 14.Bd2 Be6 15.Rf3 Rad8 16.Raf1 Bc7 17.h3 Nd5** 0.65/18

[17...Qc5= -0.16/20]

18.Ne4 f5 0.79/20

[18...Bb6± 0.33/19]

19.Ng5± White stays focused until the end. **19...Bc8** 1.91/20

[19...Rde8± 0.80/21 is a better defense.]

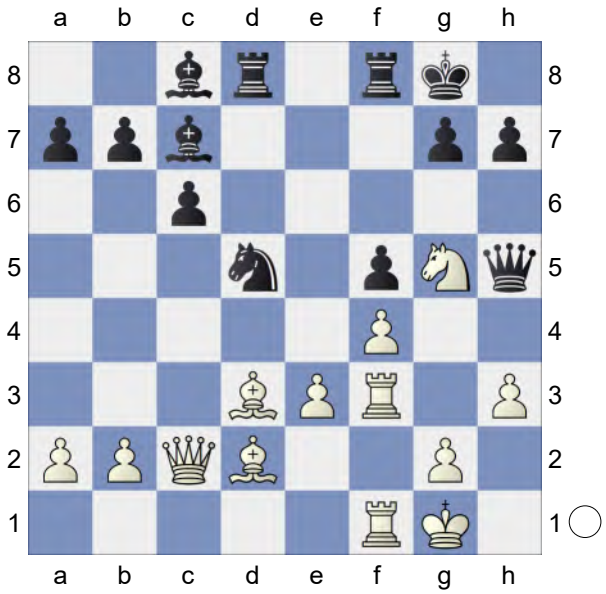
(Diagram)

20.g4!↑ White is in control. **20...Qg6** 2.26/20

[⌓20...fxg4 1.65/19 21.Bxh7+ Kh8]

21.e4 Bxf4 2.39/20

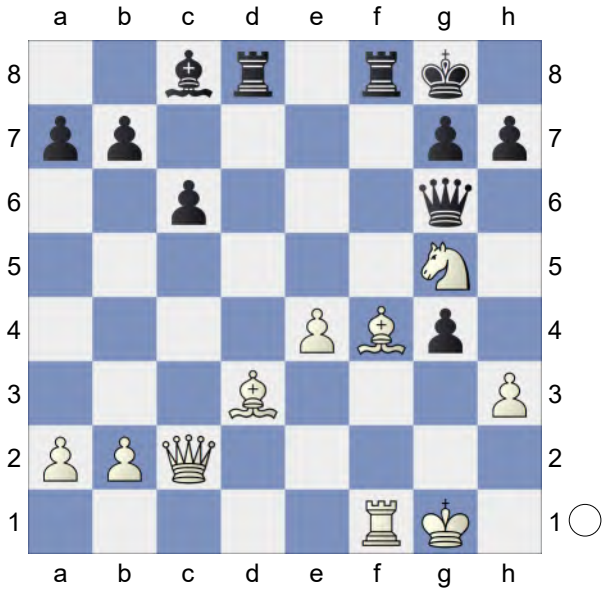
[21...Nxf4 1.82/20 was called for. 22.Bxf4 Bxf4 23.Bc4+ Kh8 24.Nf7+ Rxf7]



22.Rxf4

[22.Bxf4?! Nxf4 23.Bc4+ Nd5]

22...Nxf4 23.Bxf4 fxg4



White must now prevent ...Rf8xf4!

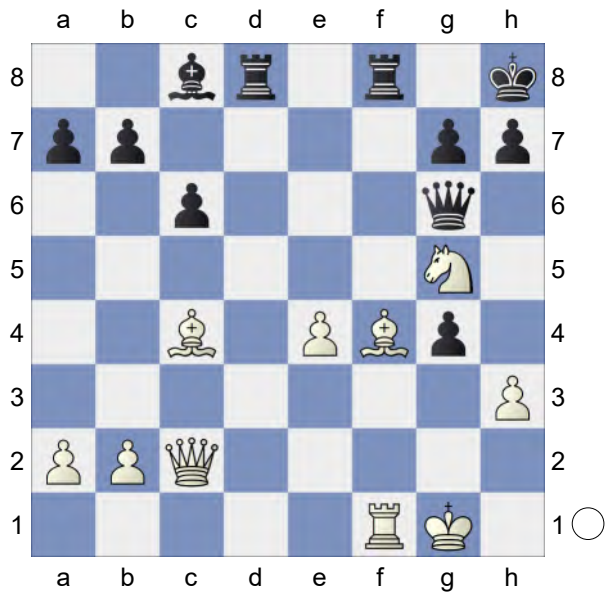
24.Bc4+! A strong pair of Bishops.

24...Kh8

(Diagram)

Hoping for ...Rf8xf4! **25.Nf7+!** Deflection **25...Rxf7 26.Bxf7 Qxf7 27.Bg5!** Discovered Attack **27...Qd7** 4.53/21

[27...Qg6 2.41/20 28.Bxd8 gxh3+



29.Kh1 h5]

28.Bxd8 White is clearly winning.

28...Qxd8 6.66/24 Endgame. KQR-KQB

[⩲28...Qd4+ 4.48/24 29.Qf2 Qxf2+ 30.Rxf2 h6 31.Rf8+ Kh7]

29.Qf2 Be6 30.Qf8+

[30.Qxa7 gxh3 31.Qc5 Kg8= *(31...Bxa2?* too greedy. *32.Rf8++-)*]

30...Qxf8 31.Rxf8+ Bg8 32.e5 Threatening mate with e5-e6. **32...g5 33.e6** e6-e7 would kill now.

[Weaker is 33.hxg4 Kg7 34.Rb8 b5 35.Rb7+ Kg6 36.Rxa7 Be6+-]

33...Kg7 34.e7 Bf7 35.hxg4 Weighted Error Value: White=0.08 (flawless) /Black=0.65

1-0

B18

□ **Ragozin,Viacheslav**
■ **Flohr,Salo**
Moscow (3) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

B18: Classical Caro-Kann: 4...Bf5 sidelines RR: 'Inf 90/(88)' **1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 dxe4 4.Nxe4 Bf5 5.Ng3 Bg6 6.Nh3 e6 7.Nf4 Qh4 8.Qe2N** 0.00/22

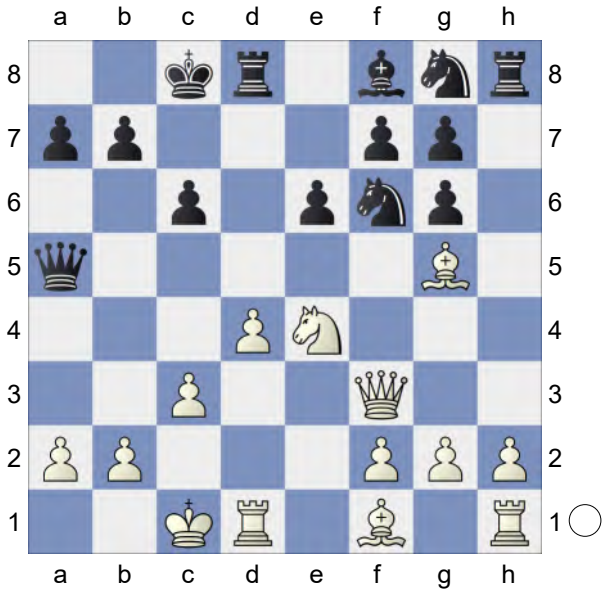
[8.Be2± 0.51/17]

[8.Nge2 Nd7 9.g3 Qd8 10.Bg2 Ngf6 11.Nxg6 hxg6 12.0-0 Qa5 13.c4 0-0-0 14.h3 e5 15.a3 exd4 16.Bf4 Ne5 17.b4 Qc7 18.Nxd4 Nh5 19.Bxe5 Qxe5 20.Nf3 Qf6 21.Qa4 Kb8 22.c5 Be7 1-0 6.cxb5 ♗xb5 7. ♗g2 (2599)-4. ♗c6 bc6 5.b3 d6_39070 (2564) Belgique 120/103 2013 (9.5)]

[8.Be3 Nd7 *(8...Nf6 9.Qd2 Be7 10.0-0-0 Ng4 11.Nge2 Nxe3 12.fxe3 Bd6 13.g3 Qe7 14.Nc3 Nd7 15.h4 Nf6 16.h5 Bf5 17.Bg2 e5 18.Nd3 0-0-0 19.Rdf1 Be6 20.Bh3 Bxh3 21.Rxh3 h6* Kristiansen,E-Glaser,H Djakovica 128/99 2016*)* 9.Qd2 Be7 10.Be2 *(10.0-0-0 Nh6 11.f3 0-0 12.Nxg6 hxg6 13.Ne4 Nf5 14.Bf4 Nf6 15.g3 Qh8 16.h4 Rad8 17.c3 Nh5 18.g4 Nxf4 19.Qxf4 Qh6 20.g5 Qh7 21.Bh3 Qxh4 22.Bg4 e5 23.Rxh4 exf4 24.Bxf5 Bxg5* ½-½ Domalchuk Jonasson,A (2407)-Sahidi,S (2476) Wch U20 60th Mexico City 2023 (10)*)* 10...Nb6 11.Ngh5 Bxh5 12.g3 Qg5 13.Nxh5 Qd5 14.0-0 g6 15.Nf4 Qd7 16.Nd3 Nc4 17.Qc3 Nxe3 18.fxe3 Nf6 19.d5 exd5 20.Rxf6 d4 21.Ne5 dxc3 22.Nxd7 cxb2 0-1 Yemelin,V (2578)-Sakaev,K (2656) Moscow Aeroflot op-A 2004 (8)]

[8.Nxg6 hxg6 9.Qd3 Nd7 10.Ne4 Qd8 11.Be2 Ndf6 12.Nxf6+ gxf6 13.Bd2 Qc7 14.g3 0-0-0 15.Qc4 Bh6 16.0-0-0 Bxd2+ 17.Rxd2 Ne7 18.Bf3 Nd5 19.h4 f5 20.c3 Kb8 21.Qe2 Nb6 22.Rdd1 Rde8 0-1 Bohatirchuk,F-Flohr,S Moscow IT 2nd 1935 (7)]

8...Nd7 0.37/20
[8...Nf6= 0.00/22]
9.c3 -0.14/21
[White should play 9.Ne4± 0.37/20]
9...0-0-0 0.28/21
[⌓9...Ngf6 -0.14/21]
10.Nxg6= White has an edge. **10...hxg6**
11.Ne4 Qe7 12.Bg5 Ndf6 1.15/18
[12...f6= 0.14/19 remains equal. 13.Be3 e5]
13.0-0-0 0.32/20
[13.Nd2± 1.15/18]
13...Qc7 14.Qf3 0.01/21
[14.h4± 0.42/20]
14...Qa5!



Strongly threatening ...Nf6xe4! **15.Bc4?** -1.35/22
[15.Bd3= 0.20/19]
15...Be7? 0.55/18
[15...Nxe4∓ -1.35/22 16.Bxd8 Qf5]
16.h4 0.06/22
[16.Nc5± 0.55/18]
16...Qf5 0.90/23
[16...Nxe4= 0.06/22 17.Bxe7 Nxe7 18.Qxe4 Qf5 19.Qxf5 gxf5]
17.Qxf5 0.10/23
[17.Nd2± 0.90/23]
17...gxf5 18.Nxf6 Bxf6 19.g3 Bxg5+ 20.hxg5 Ne7 21.Rde1 Ng6 22.f4 Kd7 23.Kd2 Ke7 24.Ke3 Rxh1 The position is equal. **25.Rxh1 Rh8 26.Rxh8 Nxh8** Endgame. KB-KN **27.Be2 f6 28.gxf6+ Kxf6 29.c4 Ke7 30.b4 Nf7 31.c5 Nh6 32.Bf3 a6 33.a4 Ng8 34.Kd3 Nf6 35.Ke3 g6 36.Kf2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.32/Black=0.29 (precise)
½-½

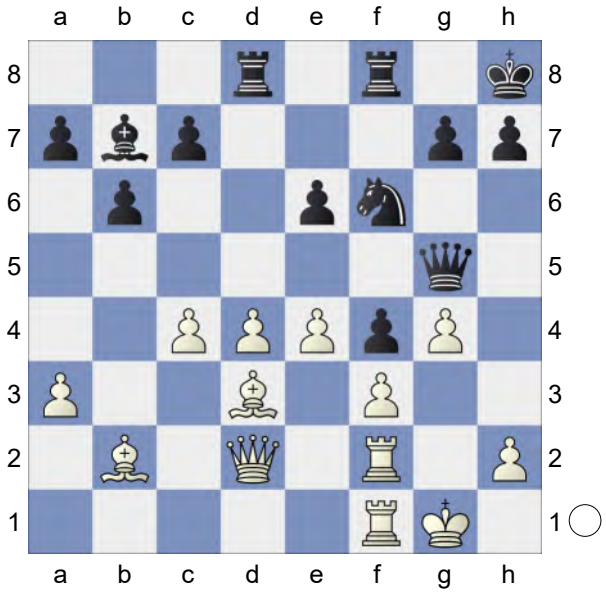
E33

□ **Riumin,Nikolay Nikolaevich**
■ **Romanovsky,Peter Arsenievich**
Moscow (3) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

E33: Nimzo-Indian: Classical: 4...Nc6 Inf 48/(737) **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Qc2 d5 5.a3 Bxc3+ 6.Qxc3 Nc6 7.Nf3 Ne4N**
[7...0-0 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bxf6 Qxf6 10.e3 b6 *(10...Re8 11.Rc1 Bd7 12.cxd5 exd5 13.Be2 Nd8 14.Ne5 Bf5 15.0-0 c6 16.b4* E 36/01 Chess Informant ECO E4 Survey 2008*)* 11.cxd5 exd5 12.Be2 Bb7 13.0-0 Rfc8 14.b4 Nd8 15.Rfc1 c6 16.a4 Chess Informant Eco Chess Informant ECO E3 Survey 1998]
8.Qb3 0-0 9.e3 Kh8 White is slightly better. **10.Bd3 f5 11.Qc2 Qe8 12.b3 Bd7 13.Bb2 Na5** 1.07/21
[13...a6± 0.66/17 should be considered.]
14.Ne5± dxc4 15.bxc4 Ba4 16.Qe2 Nc6 1.30/20
[⌓16...c5 0.89/18]
17.Nxc6! Bxc6 18.0-0 Qg6 White must now prevent ...Ne4-c3! **19.f3 Nf6 20.Rae1 Nh5 21.Qc2 Rad8 22.Re2 Qg5 23.Qd2 b6 24.Ref2 Bb7 25.e4 f4** 2.35/19

[25...Qxd2± 0.89/19 26.Rxd2 Nf4]

26.g4 Nf6



27.h4! Qxh4 28.Rh2

[28.Qxf4 Nxe4 29.Qh2 Qxh2+ 30.Rxh2 Ng5±]

28...Qg3+ 29.Rg2 Qh3 2.52/19

[29...Qh4 1.88/21 keeps fighting.]

30.Rh2? -0.01/17

[Stronger than 30.Qxf4 Nd5 31.Qd2 *(31.cxd5? Rxf4 32.Be2 exd5-+; 31.Qg3 Qxg3 32.Rxg3 Nf4=)* 31...Nf4= *(31...Rxf3? 32.Rxf3 Qxf3 33.cxd5+-)*]

[30.Qe2+- 2.52/19]

30...Qg3+=

(Diagram)

31.Kh1! Nxg4 32.fxg4 e5 3.95/20

[⌓32...b5 2.60/18 33.cxb5 Kg8]

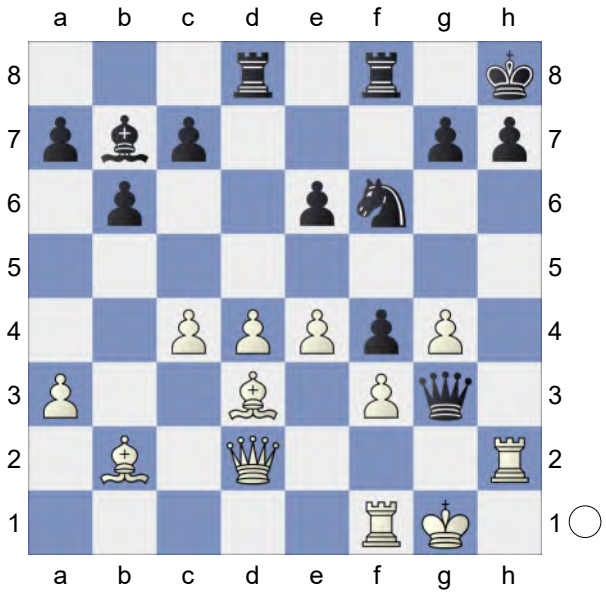
33.Qe2? 0.37/22

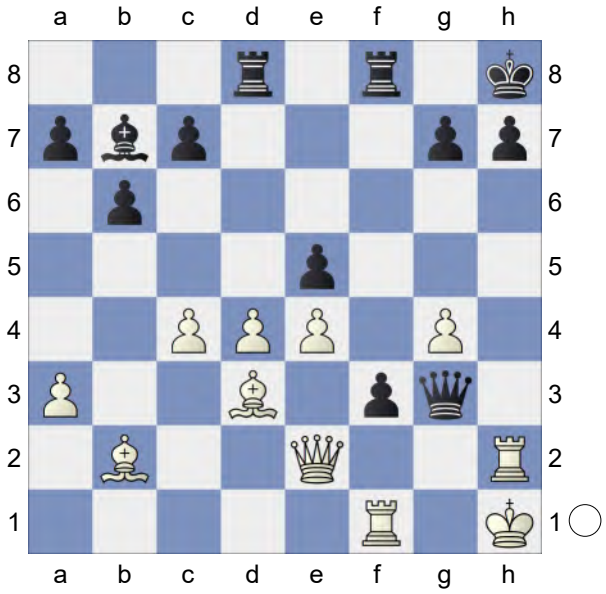
[33.d5+- 3.95/20]

33...f3? 2.70/23

[Better is 33...exd4± 0.37/22 34.Rg1 Qe3]

(Diagram)





34.Qf2!+- Qxg4 4.20/21

[34...Qxf2 2.33/21 was necessary. 35.Rhxf2 exd4 36.Rxf3 Rxf3 37.Rxf3 Kg8]

35.Rg1 Qd7 6.60/20

[35...Qf4 3.99/20 36.d5 Rd6]

36.d5 White threatens Qf2-h4! and mate.

36...Qe7 7.24/19

[⌓36...Rde8 4.54/19 37.Rh5 b5 38.cxb5 *(38.Bxe5 Rxe5 39.Rxe5 bxc4+-)* 38...Kg8 39.Bxe5 *(39.Rxe5 Rf7+-)* 39...Rxe5 40.Rxe5 Qd8]

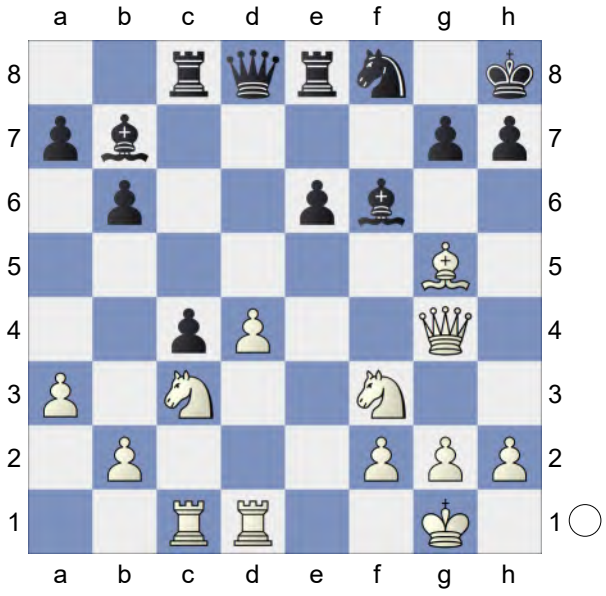
37.Qg3 Intending Qg3-g6! and mate.

37...Rde8 #5/12
[37...f2+- 4.77/21]
38.Qg6 Weighted Error Value: White=0.50/Black=0.76
1-0

A47

□ **Pirc,Vasja**
■ **Lilienthal,Andor**
Moscow (3) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A47: 1 d4 Nf6 2 Nf3 b6: Torre, London and Colle Systems **1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 e6 3.e3**
[3.c4 c5 4.Nc3 cxd4 5.Nxd4 a6 6.g3 Qc7 7.Bg2 Qxc4 8.Bf4 Nc6 9.Nb3 d5 10.0-0 Qb4 11.e4 d4 12.Nd5 exd5 13.exd5 Ne7 14.Re1 Bg4 15.Qd3 Rd8 16.h3 Bc8 17.Rac1 g5 0-1 Adianto,U (2598)-Kasparov,G (2838) EUR-ASIA m 30' Batumi rapid 2001 (5)]
3...b6
[3...c5 4.b3 Nc6 5.Bb2 d5 6.Nbd2 Bd6 7.Be2 0-0 8.0-0 b6 9.c4 Bb7 10.cxd5 exd5 11.Rc1 Qe7 12.Qc2 Nb4 13.Qb1 Ne4 14.dxc5 bxc5 15.Nxe4 dxe4 16.Ne1 Rad8 17.g3 Bb8 18.a3 1-0 Novosel,L (2400)-Cvitan,E (2294) Pula op 35th 2023 (4)]
4.Bd3N
[4.Be2 Bb7 5.0-0 Be7 6.b3 0-0 7.Bb2 d6 8.c4 c5 9.Nc3 a6 10.Qc2 Nbd7 11.Rfd1 Ra7 12.e4 cxd4 13.Nxd4 Qa8 14.f3 Qb8 15.Kh1 Re8 16.Qd2 Ba8 17.Bf1 Ne5 18.Re1 Rd7 0-1 Bjelobrk,I (2338)-Rogers,I (2574) AUS-ch Adelaide AUS 2003 (9) 19.Rad1 Ng6 20.Qf2 Bd8 21.Nc2 h5 22.g3 Qb7 23.a4 Be7 24.Bg2 h4 25.Rd2 Qc7 26.Red1 hxg3 27.hxg3 Kh7 28.Bf1 Rh8 29.Kg2 Kg8 30.Be2 d5 31.exd5 Bc5 32.Qe1 Nh5 33.Rd4 exd5 9 Chapter-Games Chapter 3 Game]
4...c5 5.0-0 Bb7 6.c3 Nc6 7.a3 -0.04/19
[7.e4± 0.33/19 feels stronger.]
7...cxd4 0.37/19
[7...d5= -0.04/19]
8.cxd4 White is slightly better. **8...Be7** 0.78/20
[8...d5= 0.27/21]
9.e4± 0-0 10.Nc3 d6 11.Qe2 Re8 12.Rd1 d5 13.e5 Nd7 14.Be3 Rc8 15.Nd2 f5 16.exf6 Bxf6 17.Qg4 0.19/22
[17.Nf3± 0.94/19]
17...Nf8 0.91/18
[17...Nce5= 0.19/22 keeps the balance. 18.dxe5 Nxe5 19.Bxh7+ Decoy Kxh7 20.Qh5+ Kg8]
18.Rac1 Kh8 19.Nf3 Na5 1.29/19
[19...e5± 0.66/20]
20.Bg5 0.84/19
[⌓20.h4 1.29/19]
20...Nc4 21.Bxc4 dxc4



22.Ne5 Re7 Prevents Ne5-f7+.
[22...Qe7 23.h4]
23.Ne2 A dynamic duo of knights.
23...Rec7 24.Bf4 Qe8 25.Rc3 0.49/18
[25.h4± 0.98/18]
25...Bxe5 1.05/21
[25...b5!± 0.49/18]
26.Bxe5 Rd7 27.Nf4 Prevents Qe8-g6. Rd1-e1 would now be deadly. **27...Ng6 28.Rg3** 0.31/22
[28.Qxe6? perishes. Qxe6 29.Nxe6 Nxe5-+]
[28.Re1± 0.71/20]
28...Nxe5± 29.dxe5 Hoping for Rd1-d6.
29...Rxd1+ 30.Qxd1 Rd8 31.Qg4 Qd7 (→ ...Qd7-d1+) **32.h3** Strongly threatening Qg4-h4!
[Don't blunder 32.Qxg7+? Qxg7 33.h3 Qxe5-+ *(33...Rd1+? 34.Kh2-+)*]
32...Qd1+ 33.Qxd1 -0.70/19
[33.Kh2± 0.35/24 Qxg4 34.Rxg4]
33...Rxd1+ Endgame. KRB-KRN **34.Kh2 Bd5 35.Re3 Kg8 36.h4 b5 37.Kg3 a5 38.f3 b4 39.axb4 axb4** Threatens to win with ...Rd1-a1. **40.Re2** -1.68/23
[40.Kf2∓ -1.06/25]
40...Rb1 -0.66/24
[Black should try 40...Rd4-+ -1.68/23 41.h5 Kf8]
41.Rc2 -1.48/22
[White should play 41.Kf2∓ -0.66/24]
41...Kf7 -0.84/22
[⌓41...Ra1 -1.48/22 White must now prevent ...Ra1-a2. 42.Ne2 c3 43.Nxc3 bxc3 *(43...Bb3 44.Rd2∓)* 44.Rxc3 Re1 45.Rc8+ Kf7]
42.Nxd5?? -4.44/23
[42.Rd2∓ -0.84/22]
42...exd5-+ 43.f4 b3 Weighted Error Value: White=0.40/Black=0.23 (precise)
0-1

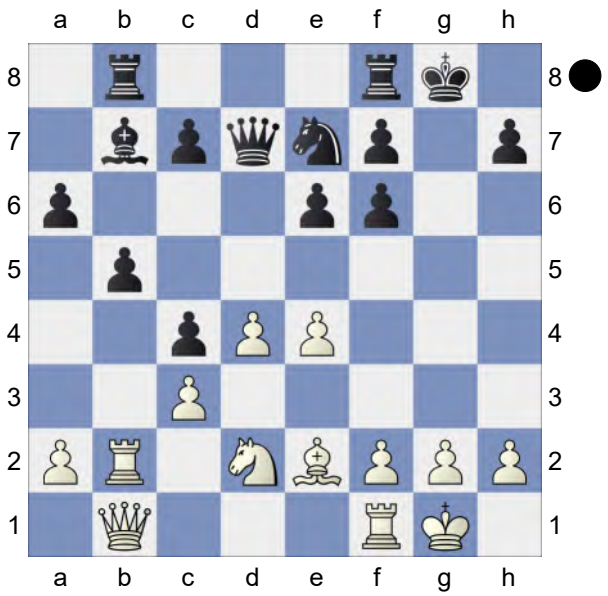
D39

□ **Rabinovich,Ilya Leontievich**
■ **Ragozin,Viacheslav**
Moscow (4) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D39: Queen's Gambit Declined: Ragozin Defence with 5 Bg5 dxc4 **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 d5 4.Nc3 Bb4 5.Qa4+ Nc6 6.Bg5 dxc4 7.e3 Qd5 8.Bxf6 gxf6 9.Nd2 Bxc3 10.bxc3 b5 11.Qc2 Bb7 12.Rb1** -0.31/20
[12.e4= 0.05/19 should be considered. Qd7 13.Qb2]
12...Rb8∓ 13.e4 Qd7 14.Be2N -0.57/20
[14.Rxb5 Nxd4 15.cxd4 Qxb5∓]
[14.a4= -0.13/21 a6 *(14...b4 15.Bxc4 bxc3 16.Qxc3±)*
A) 15.axb5 axb5 16.Rxb5 *(16.Qb2)* 16...Nxd4∓ Discovered Attack;
B) 15.Qb2]
14...Ne7 0.01/19
[14...a6∓ -0.57/20]
15.0-0 -0.53/18
[15.a4= 0.01/19]
15...0-0 16.Rb2 -0.98/19
[16.a4∓ -0.34/17 a6 17.Rb4]
16...a6 17.Qb1 -1.16/20
[17.a4∓ -0.65/18]

(Diagram)

17...c5!∓ 18.dxc5 Rfc8 19.Rd1 Qc7!
[19...Rxc5 20.Nb3 Qc7 21.Nxc5 Qxc5 22.a4±]
20.a4! Bc6 21.axb5 axb5 22.Nf3! Prevents Qc7-e5 **22...Be8** -0.46/19
[22...Qa7∓ -0.85/19]
23.Rd4 -1.22/21
[23.e5∓ -0.46/19]
23...Ra8 -0.76/21



[23...Qxc5 24.Rxc4 Qxc4 25.Bxc4 Rxc4 26.Rb3+-]
[⌓23...Ng6 -1.22/21 24.h4 Ra8 *(24...Qxc5 25.Rxc4 Qd6 26.Rd4=)*]

24.Qc1 -1.19/20
[⌓24.h4 -0.76/21]

24...Qxc5 25.Qh6 -1.63/20
[25.h4∓ -0.97/20]

25...Ra1+-+ 26.Bf1 -1.80/21
[26.Rd1∓ -1.42/22 Qa3 *(26...Rxd1+ 27.Bxd1 Qa3 28.Qd2∓)* 27.Qd2]

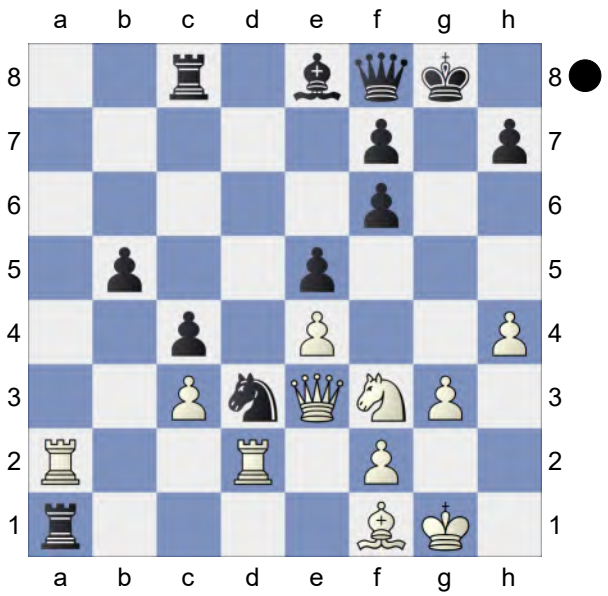
26...e5 -1.15/21
[26...Ng6-+ -1.80/21 White must now prevent ...Qc5-a3. 27.g3 Qa3]

27.Rdd2∓ Ng6 28.h4 Qf8 29.Qe3 Nf4 30.g3 Nd3 Prevents Nf3-e1. **31.Ra2**

(Diagram)

Rxa2 -0.71/21
[⌓31...Rb1! -1.11/22 ...Qf8-c5 would now be deadly. 32.Kg2 Qc5 33.Bxd3 Qxe3 *(33...cxd3 34.Qxc5 Rxc5 35.Ra8=)* 34.fxe3 cxd3 35.Rxd3 h5]

32.Rxa2 Qc5 -0.01/22
[32...b4∓ -0.88/21 And now ...b4-b3 would win. 33.Bxd3 Remove Defender cxd3 34.cxb4



Bb5 *(34...Qxb4 35.Kh2∓)*]

33.Qh6= Ra8 Deflection **34.Rd2** -0.57/22
[34.Rxa8= -0.08/25 Qxf2+ 35.Kh1 Qxf1+ *(35...Qxf3+ 36.Kh2 Qf2+ 37.Bg2)* 36.Kh2 Qe2+ 37.Kh1 Qxf3+ 38.Kh2 Qe2+ *(38...Qxe4 39.Rxe8#)* 39.Kg1 Qd1+ *(39...Qxe4 40.Rxe8#)* 40.Kh2 Qc2+ *(40...Qe2+ 41.Kg1∓)* 41.Kg1 Qb1+ 42.Kh2 Qc2+ 43.Kg1 Qd1+ 44.Kh2 Qe2+ 45.Kg1 Qd1+ *(45...Qxe4 46.Rxe8#)*]

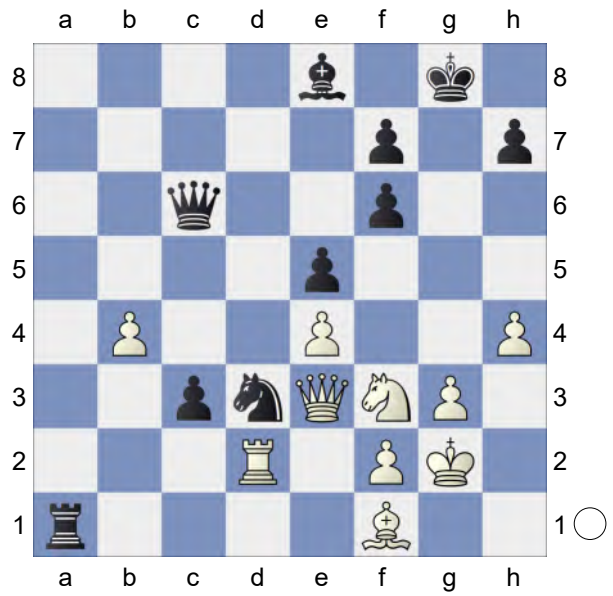
34...Qc6∓ Threatens to win with ...Ra8-a1. **35.Qe3** -1.29/20
[White should play 35.Kh2∓ -0.63/22]

35...Ra1∓ 36.Kg2 b4 0.01/24
[36...h5∓ -0.69/21 37.Bxd3 cxd3 38.Rxd3 Kg7]

37.cxb4!= c3 0.74/22
[37...Nxb4 38.Qc3 Ra4 39.Qxc4+-]
[37...h5= 0.01/21 keeps the balance.]

(Diagram)

38.Rc2!±
[38.Rxd3? is the wrong capture. c2 39.Rc3 c1Q *(39...c1R?* perishes.



40.Rxc6 Bxc6 41.Bd3+-) 40.Rxc1 Qxc1 41.Qxc1 Rxc1-+]

38...Nxb4 39.Rxc3 Qe6 40.Bc4 Qd6 41.Be2 Repels Qd6-d1

[41.Qe2 simplifies Qd1 42.Qxd1 Rxd1 43.Bb3]

41...Bd7 42.Qh6 Qe6 43.Ng1 Inhibits Qe6-h3+. **43...Nc6** 0.35/24

[43...Bc6= -0.01/23]

44.Bc4± Qg4 45.Qxf6 Qxe4+ 46.Nf3 The board is on fire. **46...Qg6 47.Qxg6+ hxg6 48.Bb5 Nb8 49.Nxe5 Bxb5** The position is equal. **50.Rc8+ Kg7 51.Rxb8 Bf1+ 52.Kh2 Ra2 53.Rb7** aiming for Kh2-g1! **53...Rxf2+ 54.Kg1 Ba6** And White is the lucky defender. Weighted Error Value: White=0.17 (very precise) /Black=0.18 (very precise)

½-½

D13

□ **Menchik,Vera**
■ **Alatortsev,Vladimir**
Moscow (4) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D13: Slav Defence: Exchange variation without ...Bf5 **1.Nf3 d5 2.d4 Nf6 3.c4 c6 4.cxd5 cxd5 5.Nc3 Nc6 6.Bf4 a6 7.e3 Bf5 8.Rc1 Rc8 9.Bd3 Bxd3 10.Qxd3 e6 11.0-0 Be7 12.h3**

[12.Ne5 Qa5 13.Ne2 0-0 14.Nxc6 Rxc6 15.Rxc6 bxc6 16.Qb1 c5 17.Rc1 c4 18.Bg5 Rb8 19.Rc2 h6 20.Bxf6 Bxf6 21.g3 Be7 22.b3 Qa3 23.Rc3 a5 24.Nc1 a4 25.Kg2 g6 26.Rc2 Kg7 0-1 Fight For The Opening Advanta,S (2534)-Campos (2717) URS-ch43 Final Yerevan 1975 (8)]

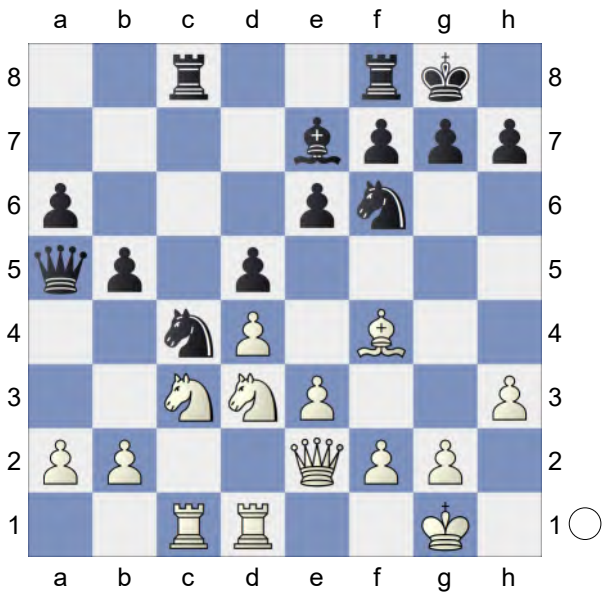
12...0-0 13.Rfd1 Na5N

[13...b5 14.a4 Nb4 15.Qe2 bxa4 16.Nxa4 Ne4 17.Nc3 Qb6 18.Ne5 Qb7 19.f3 Nxc3 20.bxc3 Nc6 21.Rb1 Qa7 22.Qb2 Nxe5 23.Bxe5 Rc6 24.e4 Bg5 25.exd5 exd5 26.Qb3 Qd7 27.Qa4 Be3+ 28.Kh2 0-1 Carneiro,C (2177)-Oratovsky,M (2486) Summer Festival Open Lisbon POR 2000 (2) Qe6 29.Rd3 Bg5 30.Bg3 Rfc8 31.Re1 Qd7 32.f4 Bf6 33.Rde3 h5 34.R1e2 g6 35.f5 h4 36.Be5 Bg5 37.Rf3 f6 38.fxg6 fxe5 39.Rxe5 Qd6 40.Qb3 Bf6 41.Rxf6 Qxf6 42.Qxd5+ Kg7 43.Qd7+ 1-0 Lucas,L (1991)-Fuchs,F (2058) Munich Laimer op 2nd 2023 (6)]

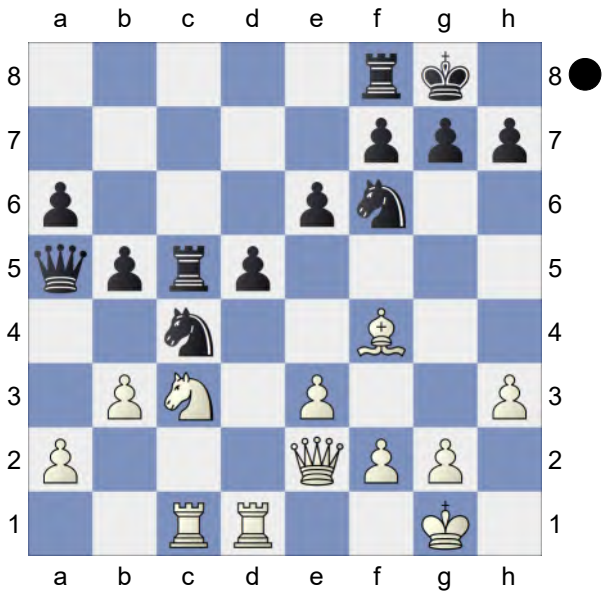
14.Ne5 Nc4 15.Qe2 The position is equal. **15...Qa5 16.Nd3 b5** 0.33/21

[16...Rc6= -0.06/20]

(Diagram)



17.Nc5 -0.32/22 **Bxc5∓ 18.dxc5 Rxc5** ...Rf8-c8 is the strong threat. **19.b3**



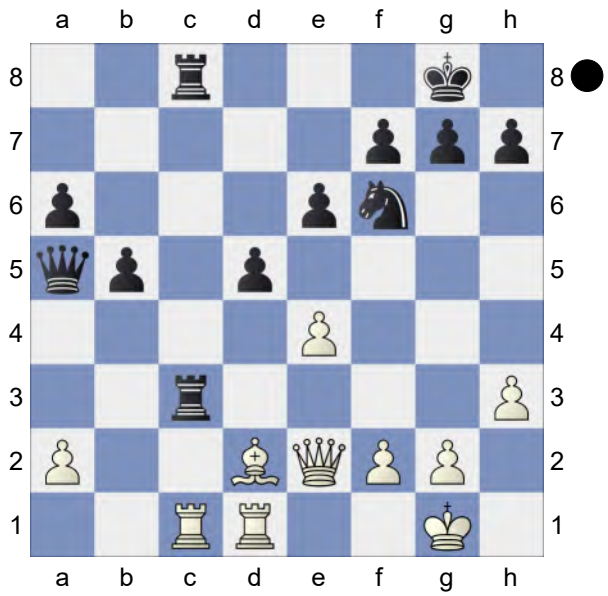
Rfc8! 20.bxc4 Rxc4 21.e4 -0.91/23 **Rxc3∓ 22.Bd2?** -4.12/21

[22.Rxc3∓ -1.09/23 is tougher. Qxc3 23.Rc1 Qxc1+ 24.Bxc1 Rxc1+ 25.Kh2]

(Diagram)

Loses the game. **22...Qxa2!-+ 23.Rxc3**

[23.Ra1 Qc4]



23...Rxc3 Pin **24.exd5 Nxd5 25.Qg4 Rc4 26.Qg3 Rc8** Wards off Qg3-b8 **27.Be3 Qb3** Weighted Error Value: White=0.68/Black=0.20 (precise)

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D43

□ **Flohr,Salo**
■ **Pirc,Vasja**
Moscow (4) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D43: Semi-Slav: 5 Bg5 h6 Gurevich,M: 'Inf 95/316' Gurevich,M: 'Annotation from CBM 111; my updates are marked MK. ' **1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.c4 c6 4.Nc3 e6 5.Qb3 Ne4N**

[5...dxc4 6.Qxc4 b5 7.Qd3 a6 *(7...Nbd7 8.e4 b4 9.Na4 Bb7 10.Be3 Qa5 11.b3 Be7 12.Nd2 0-0 13.f3 c5 14.Nxc5 Nxc5 15.dxc5 Bxc5 16.Nc4 Qc7 17.Bxc5 Qxc5 18.Qd6 Rfc8 19.Be2 Ne8 20.Qxc5 Rxc5 21.Kf2 Ba6 22.a3* ½-½ Aronian,L (2724)-Gurevich,M (2652) FIDE World Cup Khanty Mansiysk 2005 (5.1)) 8.e4 c5 9.dxc5

Qxd3 10.Bxd3 Bxc5 11.e5 Nfd7 12.Ne4 Nc6 13.Bf4 Nb4 D 43/05 2003]

6.Bf4 Qa5 7.e3 Nd7 8.Bd3 White is better. **8...g5** 0.85/22 **9.Bg3**

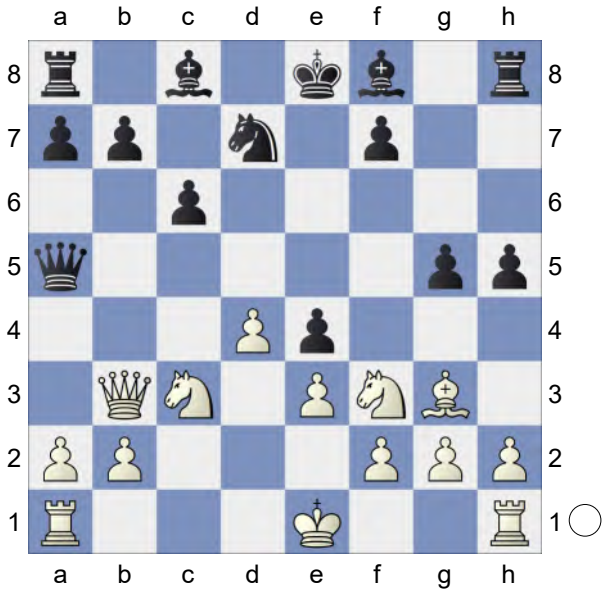
[9.Bxg5? Nxg5 *(9...dxc4? 10.Bxc4 Nxg5 11.Nd2∓)* 10.Nd2 *(10.Nxg5? is the wrong capture. dxc4* Discovered Attack *11.Bxc4 Qxg5-+)* 10...f5-+]

[Much weaker is 9.Nxg5?! dxc4 10.Qxc4 Nxg5=]

9...h5 1.26/23

[Better is 9...Nxg3± 0.56/20 10.hxg3 g4]

10.cxd5!± exd5 ...Ne4xc3 is the strong threat. **11.Bxe4 dxe4**



12.Ne5 Nxe5 13.Bxe5 Rh6 aiming for ...f7-f6. **14.h4 g4** 1.57/23

[⌓14...gxh4 1.13/21 15.Rxh4 Qb6]

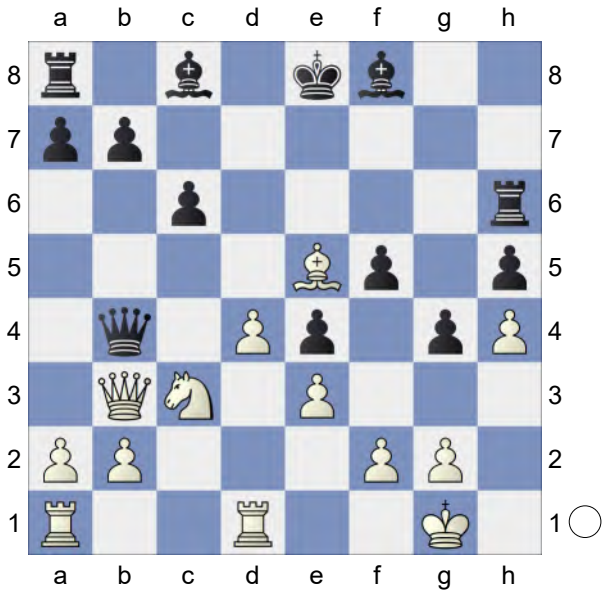
15.0-0 f5 2.19/21

[15...Be7± 1.46/20]

16.Rfd1+- Qb4

(Diagram)

17.Qc2! Bd6 18.a3 Qc4 19.b3 Qf7 20.Bxd6 Rxd6 21.g3 Be6 22.Rab1



0-0-0 23.Ne2 Kb8 24.Nf4 Bd5 25.Rdc1 R6d7 26.Qb2 Rd6 27.Rc3 R6d7 28.Rbc1 Rd6 29.a4 Qe8 30.b4 a6 31.Rc5 Qf7 32.b5 cxb5 33.axb5 Rb6 34.Qb4 Black is weak on the dark squares **34...Rxb5 35.Rxb5 axb5 36.Qxb5 Rd6 37.Qa5 b6 38.Rb1** Weighted Error Value: White=0.16 (very precise) /Black=0.41

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D68

□ **Levenfish,Grigory**
■ **Riumin,Nikolay Nikolaevich**
Moscow (4) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D68: Queen's Gambit Declined: Classical Main Line with 9...Nd5 and 12...e5 **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Bg5 Be7 5.e3 0-0 6.Nf3 Nbd7 7.Rc1 c6 8.Bd3 dxc4 9.Bxc4 Nd5 10.Bxe7 Qxe7 11.0-0 Nxc3 12.Rxc3 e5 13.Qc2 exd4 14.exd4 Nf6 15.Re1 Qd6 16.Ng5 Qf4?** 3.79/23

[16...g6± 0.75/21 is more resistant.]

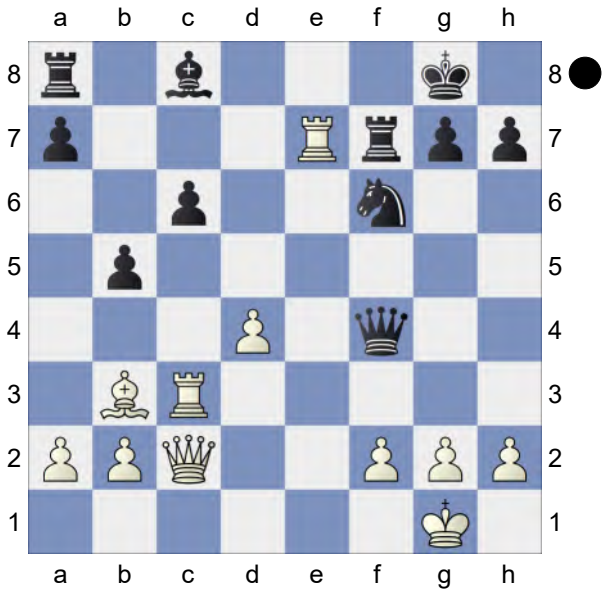
17.Nxf7+- b5 4.96/21

[⌓17...Bg4 3.41/22 18.h3 Nd5]

18.Bb3 Rxf7 19.Re7

[19.Bxf7+ Kxf7 20.Qb3+ *(20.Rxc6 Bd7±)* 20...Kg6 21.Rg3+ *(21.Rxc6 Bf5±)* 21...Kh6+-]

[19.Rxc6 Bf5 20.Qc5 *(20.Bxf7+ Kxf7 21.Qb3+ Kf8±)* 20...Raf8±]



Inhibits Bc8-d7. Pin **19...Nd5 20.Bxd5**

[20.Rxc6? Nxe7 21.Rc7 Qd6 22.Bxf7+ Kxf7-+]

[20.Rf3? Rxe7 *(20...Qxf3? 21.Re8+ Rf8 22.gxf3±)* 21.Bxd5+ cxd5-+]

20...cxd5 21.Rxc8+ 2.08/25

[⌓21.Rxf7 4.07/26 Qxf7 22.Rxc8+ Rxc8 Remove Defender 23.Qxc8+ Qf8 24.Qd7]

21...Rxc8 22.Qxc8+ Endgame. KQR-KQR **22...Rf8 23.Qe6+ Kh8 24.Qe3** Intending Qe3xf4 and mate. Active counter play!

[24.Qxd5? Qxf2+ 25.Kh1 Qf1#]

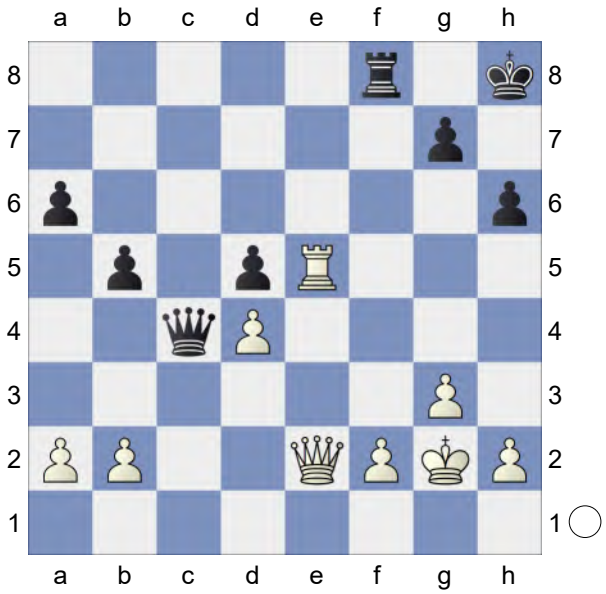
24...Qf5 25.g3

[25.Rxa7? Qb1+]

25...h6 26.Kg2→ White attacks with force. **26...a6 27.Re5 Qc2 28.Qe2**

[28.Rxd5 Qxb2 29.a3 a5±]

28...Qc4



29.Qxc4 dxc4 KR-KR **30.Rc5 Kg8 31.a4 Rd8** 3.80/23

[31...Rb8 2.46/22 keeps fighting. 32.axb5 Rxb5]

32.axb5 axb5 33.d5

[33.Rxb5 Rxd4 34.Rb4 Rd2±]

33...Rb8 3.95/23

[33...Kf7 2.82/22 is a better defense. 34.Rxb5 Rc8 35.Rb7+ Kf6]

34.Kf3 Kf7 35.Ke3 Ke7 36.Kd4 Kd7 37.Kc3 2.38/22

[⌓37.f4 4.14/23]

37...Kd6 38.Kb4 Rf8? 4.09/26

[38...Re8 2.46/24 39.Rxb5 *(39.Kxb5 Re2=)* 39...Re2 40.Kxc4 Rc2+ 41.Kd4 Rxf2 42.Rb6+ Kc7 43.Rc6+ Kd7]

39.f4

[39.Kxb5 Rxf2 40.Rc6+ *(40.Kxc4? Rc2+* Skewer, Deflection *41.Kd3 Rxc5-+)* 40...Kxd5 41.Rc5+ Ke6 42.Kxc4 Rxb2∓]

39...g5 40.fxg5

[40.Kxb5 gxf4 41.gxf4 *(41.Kxc4? f3-+)* 41...Rxf4±]

40...hxg5 41.Rxb5

[And not 41.Kxb5 Rf2 42.Rc6+ *(42.Kxc4?* loses. *Rc2+*

Skewer, Deflection *43.Kd3 Rxc5-+; 42.Rxc4 Rxb2+ 43.Rb4 Rxh2=)* 42...Kxd5 43.Rc5+ Kd6 44.Rxg5 Rxb2+ 45.Kxc4 Rxh2=]

41...Rf2 42.Kxc4 Rxh2 43.Rb6+ Kd7 44.Rb7+N Kd6 45.Rb6+? -0.01/22

[45.Rg7+- 3.86/29]

45...Kd7= 46.Rg6 Rxb2 47.Rxg5 White is clearly winning. **47...Rb1** 9.35/31

[⌓47...Ke7 5.05/27 48.Rg6 Rc2+ 49.Kd4 Rd2+ 50.Ke4 Re2+ 51.Kd3 Ra2 52.d6+ Kd7]

48.Rg6+- Rd1 49.Kc5 Rc1+ 50.Kd4 aiming for d5-d6. **50...Re1 51.g4 Ke7 52.g5 Rd1+ 53.Kc5 Rc1+ 54.Kb6 Rd1 55.Re6+ Kd7 56.Kc5 Rc1+ 57.Kd4 Rg1 58.g6** Black got outplayed after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.53/Black=0.64

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E94

□ **Lilienthal,Andor**
■ **Kan,Ilia Abramovich**
Moscow (4) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

E94: King's Indian: Classical: 6 Be2 e5 7 0-0: Various Black 7th moves **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 d6 3.Nc3 Nbd7 4.e4 e5 5.Nf3 g6 6.Be2 Bg7 7.0-0 0-0 8.d5 Nc5**

[8...a5 9.Be3 *(9.Bg5 h6 10.Bh4 Nc5 11.Nd2 Bd7 12.b3 c6 13.a3 Qb6 14.Rb1 cxd5 15.cxd5 Rfc8 16.Nc4 Qc7* E 95/10 Chess Informant ECO E4 Survey 2008*)* 9...Ng4 10.Bg5 f6 11.Bh4 Nc5 12.Nd2 h5 13.b3 Bd7 14.Rb1 Qc8 15.h3 Nh6 16.a3 g5 17.Bg3 g4 18.hxg4 hxg4 19.b4 axb4 20.axb4 Na4 21.Nxa4 Bxa4 22.Qc1 f5 23.exf5 0-1 8.♘bd2 ♖e8 9. ♗a4 (2535)-Hug,A (2620) olm11 qual GP3 B4 corr ICCF corr 1987]

9.Qc2N

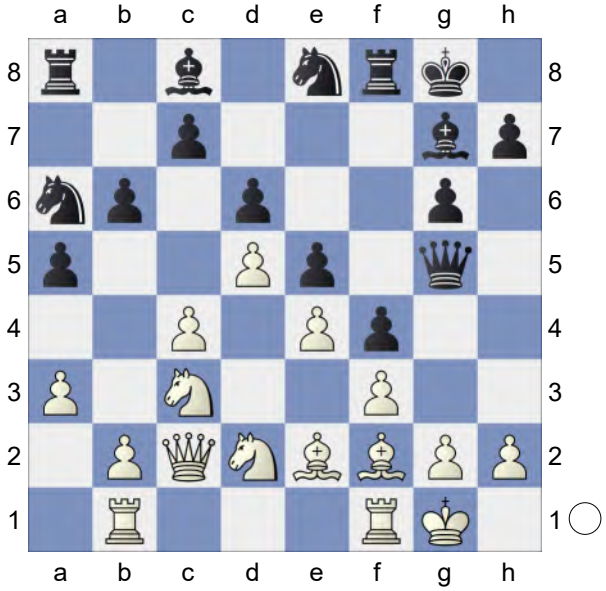
[9.Bd3 Nxd3 10.Qxd3 Ne8 5. Classical ...Nbd7: 8.d5-9. Bd3]

9...a5 10.Be3 b6 11.Nd2 Ne8 12.a3 f5 13.f3 f4 0.59/22

[13...a4= 0.12/19]

14.Bf2± Na6 White is slightly better. **15.Rab1 Qg5** 1.34/19

[15...Bf6± 0.63/19]



16.Rfc1!±

[And not 16.b4 Bh3 17.g3 axb4 18.axb4 Bxf1 19.Nxf1 Qd8∓]

16...h5 17.Kh1 Qh6 1.87/20

[17...Qd8± 1.26/18]

18.b4+- axb4 19.axb4 g5 20.Na4 1.22/19

[20.Qa4+- 1.74/18]

20...Bd7 1.73/19

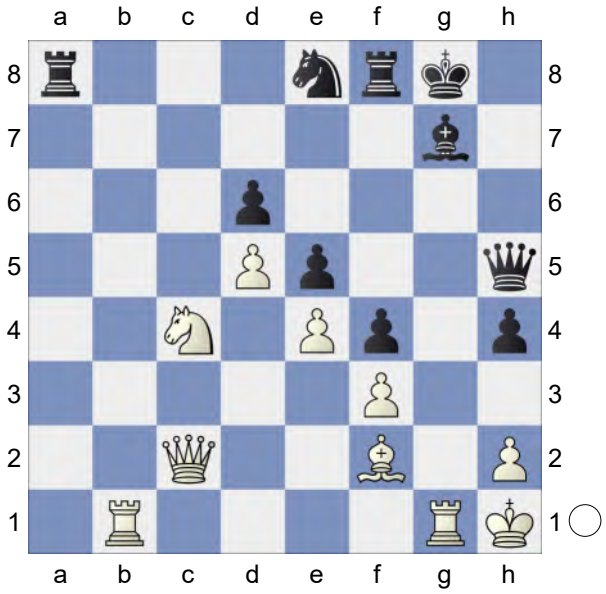
[20...g4± 1.22/19]

21.c5 Nxc5 22.Nxc5 1.22/22

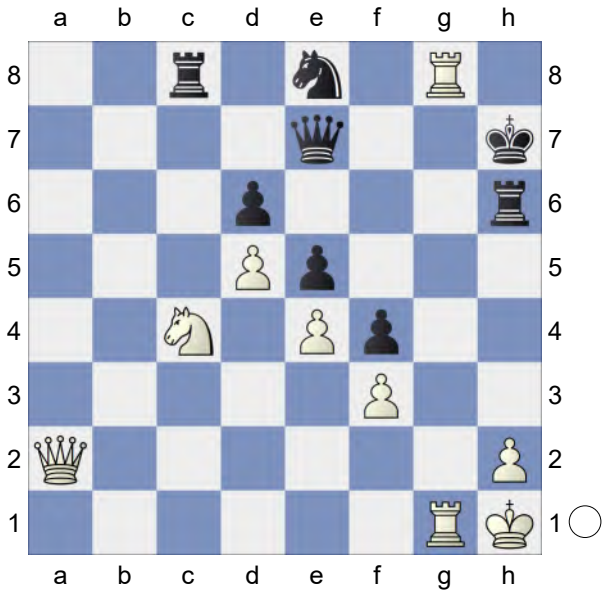
[22.Nc3+- 1.81/22]

22...bxc5± 23.bxc5 g4 24.cxd6 cxd6 25.Nc4 gxf3 26.gxf3 Bh3 27.Bf1

Bxf1 28.Rxf1 h4 29.Rg1 aiming for Rg1-g4. **29...Qh5**



30.Nd2 0.48/22 White is much more active.
[30.Qd3!± 0.96/21]
30...Kh8 1.26/22
[Black should try 30...h3± 0.48/22]
31.Rg4 Bf6 32.Rbg1↑ 0.59/21 White has good play.
[White should play 32.h3± 1.37/22]
32...Rd8 2.08/23 A mistake that costs the game.
[Better is 32...h3± 0.59/21]
33.Qc6+- Qh7 34.Nc4 Threatens to win with Bf2-b6. **34...Qe7** 3.40/23
[⌓34...Be7 2.10/23 35.Bb6 Rb8]
35.Bxh4 Nc4xe5! is the strong threat. Black is weak on the light squares
35...Rf7? 5.60/24
[35...Bxh4? perishes. 36.Nxe5+-]
[35...Qh7 3.18/23]
36.Rg8+ Kh7 37.Bxf6 Rxf6 38.Qa4? 1.40/23
[38.Qb6+- 4.64/25]
38...Rh6 39.Qa2 Black must now prevent Qa2-g2. **39...Rc8?** #11/20
[39...Rd7+- 1.63/24 40.Qg2 Qf7]



40.Qg2! Weighted Error Value: White=0.56/Black=0.73
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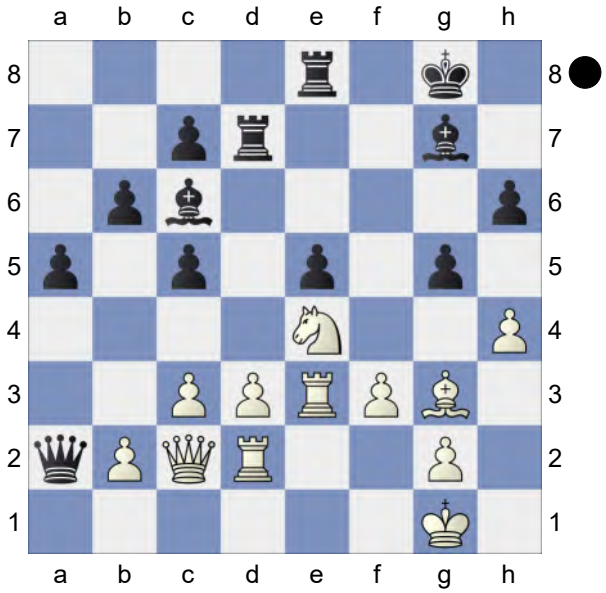
C68

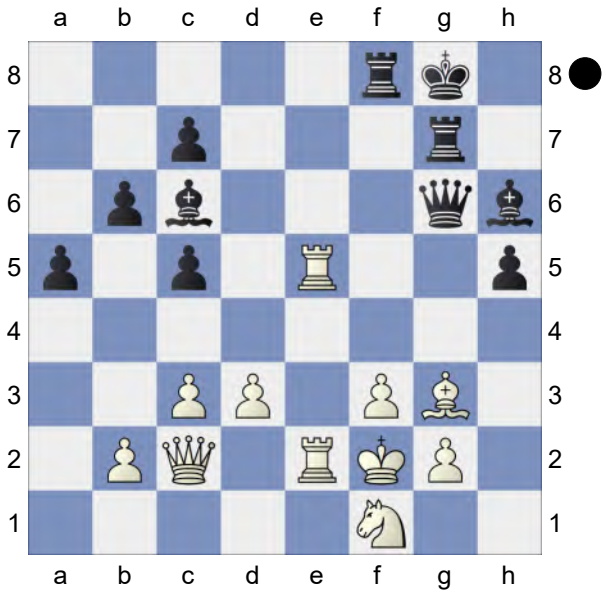
□ **Romanovsky,Peter Arsenievich**
■ **Botvinnik,Mikhail**
Moscow (4) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

C68: Ruy Lopez: Exchange Variation, sidelines **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Bxc6 dxc6 5.Nc3 f6 6.d3 Bd6 7.Be3 c5 8.Ne2 Ne7 9.Ng3** -0.76/20
[9.c3∓ -0.37/19]
[9.0-0 Bg4 10.Nd2 Nc6 11.f3 Be6 12.c3 Qe7 13.a3 0-0 14.Qc2 Rad8 15.b4 Rd7 16.Nb3 cxb4 17.axb4 Qf7 18.Nec1 Rfd8 19.Rd1 h6 20.Bc5 Ne7 21.Bxd6 Rxd6 22.Nc5 Bc8 23.Ne2 Qh5 1-0 Romanovsky,P-Smorodsky,A URS-ch03 Final Moscow 1924 (10)]
9...Be6∓ 10.c3 Qd7 11.0-0N 0-0 -0.10/21
[11...h5∓ -0.94/21 Strongly threatening ...h5-h4. 12.d4 exd4

13.cxd4 cxd4 14.Nxd4 h4]
12.Qc2 -0.52/19
[12.d4= -0.10/21 cxd4 13.cxd4]
12...Nc6∓ 13.Nd2 -0.78/20
[13.Rfd1∓ -0.42/18]
13...Rad8 14.Rad1 b6
[14...Bxa2? 15.b3+-]
15.f3 Be7
[15...Bxa2? 16.b3+-]
16.Nb3 a5 17.Nc1 Bd6 18.Qf2 Ne7 19.Rd2 f5 20.exf5 Nxf5 21.Ne4 h6 22.Qe1 Be7 23.Bf2 Bd5 24.Qe2 Rfe8 25.Rdd1 Qe6 26.Rfe1 Bf8 -0.72/19
Black is more active.
[26...Bxa2? 27.c4+-]
[⌓26...Bc6 -1.16/16 27.Ng3 Bd6]
27.Qc2∓ Qf7
[27...Bxa2? 28.c4+- *(28.b3 Bxb3 29.Nxb3 Ne7+-)*]
28.Rd2 Re6
[28...Bxa2? 29.c4+- *(29.b3 Bxb3 30.Nxb3 a4±)*]
29.Rde2 Rde8 30.Qa4 Ne7 31.Bg3 Bc6 32.Qc2 Nd5 33.Nb3 g5 34.Nbd2 Bg7 35.Nf1 R6e7 36.Rd2 Rd7 37.Ne3 Nxe3 38.Rxe3 Qxa2 39.h4 -1.49/21
[White should try 39.Rde2∓ -0.64/20]



White is now going downhill. **39...gxh4!**
40.Bxh4 Qf7 Against Ne4-f6+ **41.Rde2 Rf8 42.Bg3 Qg6 43.Kf2** -2.20/19
[43.Re1∓ -1.37/18]
43...h5-+ ...c5-c4! would now be deadly.
44.Nd2 Bh6 45.Rxe5 -4.58/23
[45.Bxe5 -2.15/20 was necessary. Bxe3+ 46.Rxe3]
45...Rg7 Black is clearly winning.
[45...Rxd3 46.Qb3+ *(46.Re6 Qxe6 47.Rxe6 Rxd2+=)* 46...Rf7 47.Re6±]
[Worse is 45...Qxd3 46.Qxd3 Rxd3 47.Ne4±]
46.Nf1



Black must now prevent Re5-e6. **46...h4!**
47.Bxh4

(Diagram)

Bxf3! Double Attack. This pair of bishops is nice. **48.Kg1 Bxe2 49.Rxe2 Qh5 50.Re4 Rf4 51.Rxf4 Bxf4 52.Qb3+ Kh7 53.Bf2 Qf3 54.g3 Qxd3 55.Qe6 Bh6 56.Qh3 Rf7 57.Ne3 Qb1+ 58.Nf1 Qf5 59.Qh2 a4**
Weighted Error Value: White=0.32/ Black=0.17 (very precise)
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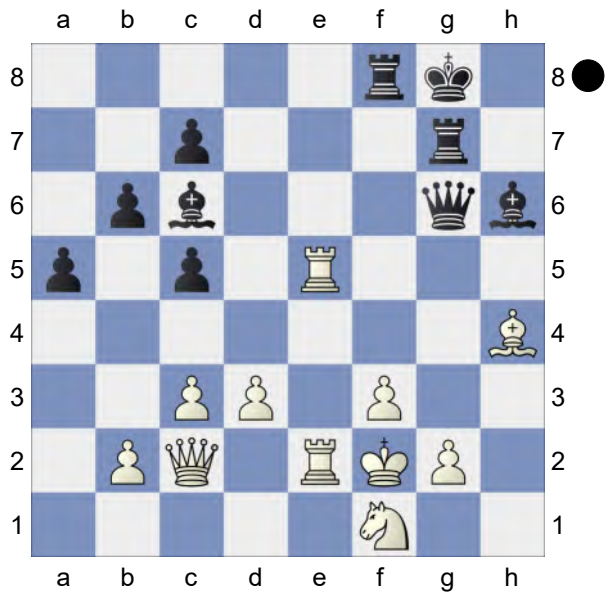
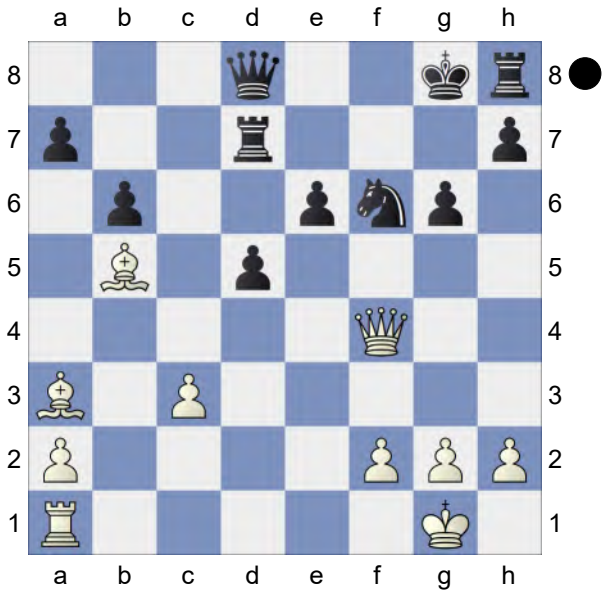


E38

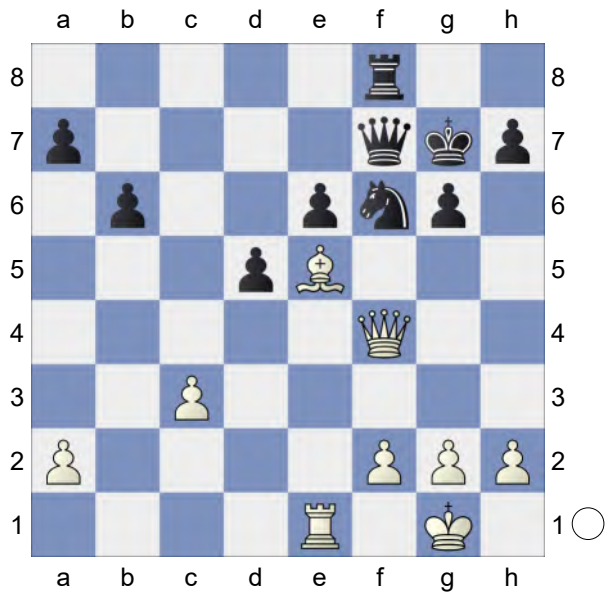
□ **Spielmann,Rudolf**
■ **Lisitsin,Georgy**
Moscow (4) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

E38: Nimzo-Indian: Classical: 4...c5 **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Qc2 c5 5.e3**
[5.dxc5 Nc6 6.Nf3 Bxc5 7.e3 0-0 8.Be2 d5 9.0-0 dxc4 10.Bxc4 a6 11.a3 Qe7 12.b4 Bd6 13.Bb2 Ne5 14.Be2 Qc7 15.Nxe5 Bxe5 16.f4 Bd6 17.Rae1 Qb6 18.Rf3 Bd7 19.Rh3 Rac8 0-1 Engemann,T (2069)-Ronge,T (2266) Rheinland Pfalz op 13th Engers 2023 (3)]
5...Nc6 6.Nf3 cxd4N
[6...0-0 7.Be2 d5 8.a3 cxd4 9.exd4 Be7 10.cxd5 Nxd5 11.0-0 b6 12.Bd3 h6 13.Nxd5 1-0 Weinberger,W-Penn,P Berlin (Germany) 1995]
7.exd4 b6 8.Bd3 Bb7 9.0-0 Rc8 The position is equal. **10.d5 Na5 11.Ne5 Bxc3 12.bxc3 d6 13.Qa4+ Kf8 14.Ba3** next d5xe6 is good for White. **14...Kg8 15.Nf3 exd5 16.Nd4** -0.32/20
[16.cxd5= 0.16/19 was preferrable. Bxd5 17.Nd4]
16...g6 0.10/19
[16...dxc4∓ -0.32/20 is more appropriate. 17.Bf5 Rc7]
17.cxd5= Bxd5 18.Ba6 A strong pair of Bishops. **18...Rc7 19.Nb5 Rd7 20.Qf4** -1.07/19
[20.Nd4= 0.01/20]
20...Bc4!∓ 21.Rfd1 d5 22.Re1 Nc6 23.Nd4 Nxd4 24.Bxc4 Ne6 25.Rxe6 fxe6 26.Bb5



Kg7? 0.32/22 **27.Bxd7± Qxd7** Black is weak on the dark squares **28.Bd6 Qf7 29.Re1** White has compensation. **29...Rc8** 1.47/23
[29...h6± 0.65/23]
30.Be5± Black must now prevent Re1-e3. **30...Rf8** 0.70/21
[30...h6± 1.14/23]
31.Bd6 0.01/22 White is much more active.
[31.Bd4± 0.70/21]
31...Re8 32.Be5 Rf8!

(Diagram)

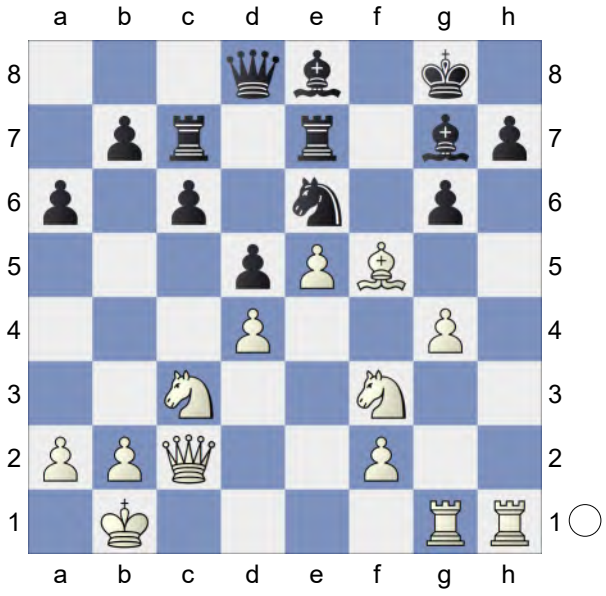


33.Bd6 0.01/27 Weighted Error Value: White=0.16 (very precise) /Black=0.19 (very precise)
[33.Bd4!± 1.10/22]
½-½

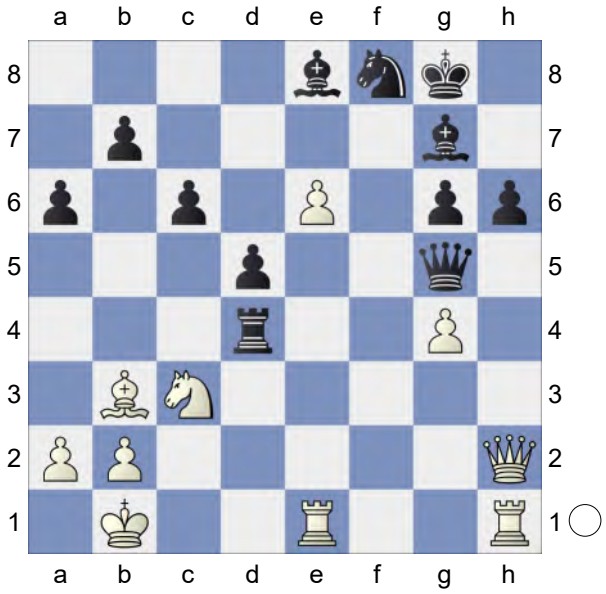
D61

□ **Stahlberg,Gideon**
■ **Bohatirchuk,Fedor Parfenovich**
Moscow (4) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D61: Queen's Gambit Declined: Classical: 7 Qc2 **1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 a6 4.cxd5 exd5 5.Nc3 Nf6 6.Bg5**
[6.g3 Be7 7.Bg2 0-0 8.0-0 c6 9.Qb3 Nbd7 10.Rd1 Nb6 11.Ne5 Be6 12.Qc2 h6 13.b3 Re8 14.Bb2 Bd6 15.h3 Rc8 16.Nf3 Rc7 17.a4 a5 18.e3 Qc8 19.Kh2 Bf5 20.Qe2 Rce7 0-1 Sanchez Alvarez,K (2243)-Svane,F (2600) La Roda op 49th 2023 (8)]
6...Be7N
[6...Be6 7.e3 Nbd7 8.Bd3 Bd6 9.h3 c6 10.0-0 Qc7 11.Qd2 0-0 *(11...h6 12.Bf4 g5 13.Bxd6 Qxd6 14.Qc2 Rg8 15.Ne2 h5 16.Ng3 g4 17.hxg4 hxg4 18.Nh4 Rh8 19.Nhf5 Bxf5 20.Bxf5 0-0-0 21.Qc5 Qxc5 22.dxc5 Kc7 23.b4 Ne5 24.Bc2 Nh5 25.Nf5 Rdg8 26.Rfd1* 0-1 Edouard,R (2551)-Cornette,M (2551) FRA-ch 95th Albi 2022 (2.2)) 12.Rfe1 h6 13.Bf4 Rfe8 14.Rac1 Rad8 15.b3 Qb8 16.Bxd6 Qxd6 17.Qb2 g6 18.Nd2 Nh5 19.Na4 Ng7 20.b4 Nf6 21.Nc5 1-0 Le,Q (2709)-Duda,J (2760) Airthings Masters Prelim chess24.com INT rapid 2022 (5)]
7.e3 Nbd7 8.Qc2 0-0 9.Bd3 Re8 10.h3 c6 11.0-0-0 0.08/18
[11.0-0± 0.56/19]
11...Nf8 12.Bxf6 Bxf6 13.g4 Bd7 14.Rdg1 g6 15.Kb1 Re7 0.45/19
[15...c5∓ -0.50/21]
16.h4± Be8 17.h5 Rc8! 18.hxg6 fxg6 19.e4 -0.31/20
[19.Ne2= 0.23/18]
19...Ne6 0.44/18
[19...Bg7!∓ -0.31/20]
20.e5 Bg7 21.Bf5 Rcc7 1.66/22
[Better is 21...c5± 0.37/19]

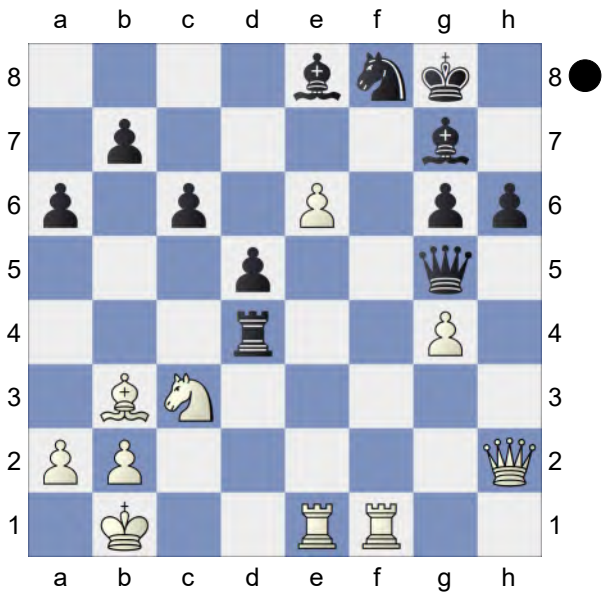


22.Qd2!+- Nf8 23.Bc2 White is more active. **23...Rf7 24.Ng5** 0.89/21
[⌓24.Nh4! 1.36/23]
24...Rxf2± Deflection **25.Qxf2 Qxg5 26.Qh2** 0.23/19
[26.Rh3!± 1.09/19]
26...Rf7= 27.Bb3 -0.57/21
[27.a3± 0.38/21]
27...Rf4 -0.01/22
[27...Qe3∓ -0.57/21 28.Rd1 Rf2]
28.e6 -0.65/21 **h6?** 1.21/20
[28...Rxd4∓ -0.65/21 keeps the upper hand. 29.Qc7 Nxe6 *(29...Rxg4 30.Re1=)* 30.Qxb7 Nf8 *(30...Rxg4 31.Rxg4 Qxg4 32.Qc8=)*]
29.Re1!± Rxd4

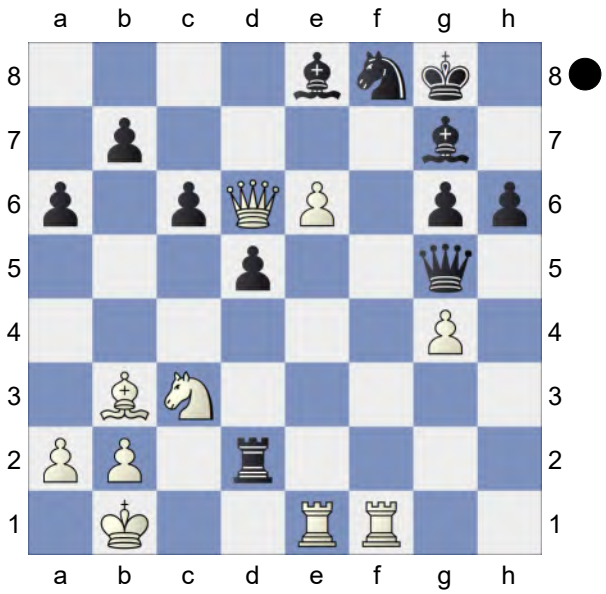


30.Rhf1? -0.72/22
[30.Qc7!± 1.15/18 keeps the pressure on. Threatens to win with Rh1-f1. Rd2 31.Bc2 *(31.Qxb7 Rxb2+* Decoy *32.Kxb2 Qd2+ 33.Bc2 Qxc3+ 34.Kc1 Qa3+ 35.Kd2 Qc3+ 36.Kc1 Qa3+ 37.Kd1 Qf3+ 38.Kc1 Qf4+ 39.Kb1 Qf6=)*]

(Diagram)



30...Rd2 0.01/20
[30...Qe7!∓ -0.72/22 31.Qh3 Nh7 *(31...Nxe6 32.g5∓)*]
31.Qd6=



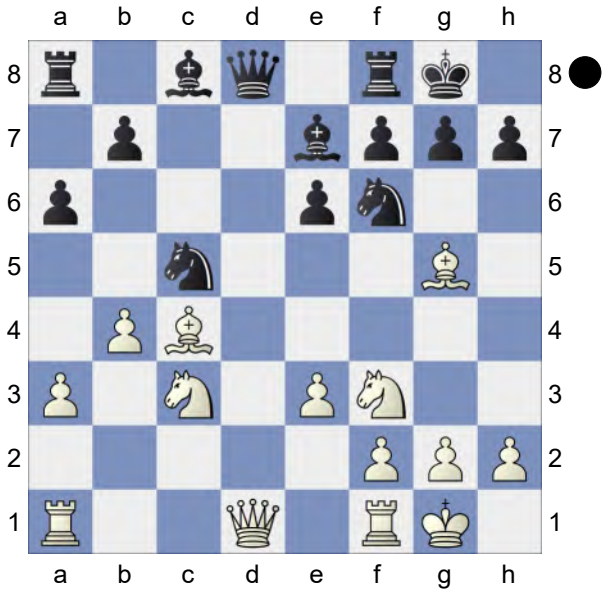
Rf1-f4 would now be deadly. The position is equal. **31...Rxb2+!** Decoy **32.Kxb2 Qd2+ 33.Bc2! Qxc3+ 34.Kc1 Qb2+ 35.Kd2⇄** Black must now prevent e6-e7. White is fighting back. Some like it hot **35...Qc3+ 36.Kc1 Qb2+ 37.Kd1** And now e6-e7 would win. **37...Qd4+ 38.Kc1** Weighted Error Value: White=0.

28 (precise) /Black=0.26 (precise)
½-½

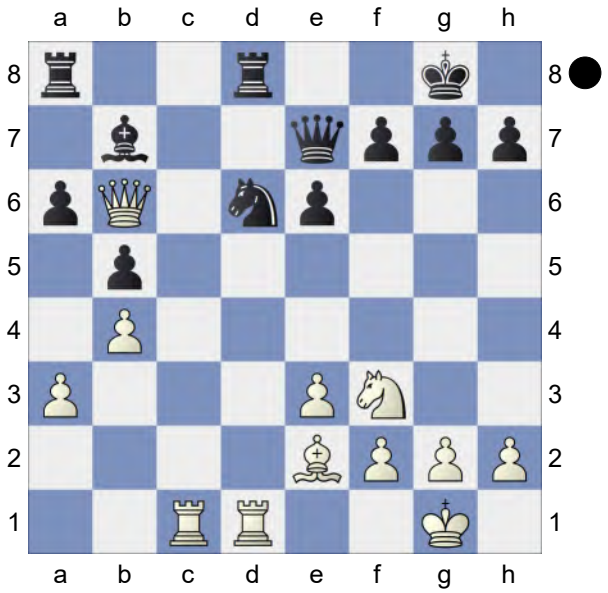
D60

□ **Capablanca,Jose Raul**
■ **Goglidze,Victor Arsentievich**
Moscow (4) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D60: Queen's Gambit Declined: Classical: Unusual White 7th moves Torre: In the King's Indian lines where Black commits himself to an early d6 there is one particular variation that has recently been giving Black headaches.
1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Be7 5.e3 Nbd7 6.Nf3 0-0 7.a3
[7.Rc1 dxc4 *(7...a6 8.a3 b6 9.cxd5 exd5 10.Bd3 Bb7 11.0-0 h6 12.Bf4 c5 13.Bf5 Nh5 14.dxc5 Nxf4 15.c6 Bxc6 16.exf4 Nf6 17.Ne5 Bb7 18.Ne2 a5 19.Qb3 Re8 20.Nd4 Bc5 21.Rxc5 bxc5 22.Qxb7* 1-0 Rognon, R (2570)-Minority Attack (2100) SLO-chT sf Skofja Loka 1997 (1)*)* 8.Bxc4 c5 9.0-0 a6 10.Be2 cxd4 11.Nxd4 Qb6 12.Qc2 Re8 13.Rfd1 Nf8 14.Nf3 N8d7 15.Nd2 Qa5 16.Bh4 b5 17.a4 bxa4 18.Nc4 Qb4 19.Rd4 Bc5 20.Rf4 Qb8 21.Nxa4 Be7 1-0 Graf,A (2565)-Peregudov,N (2495) 57/445 Akmola 1993]
7...dxc4N
[7...a6 8.cxd5 exd5 9.Bd3 c6 10.0-0 Ne4 11.Bxe7 Qxe7 12.Bxe4 dxe4 13.Nd2 f5 14.b4 Nb6 15.Qe2 Be6 16.Rab1 Qg5 17.a4 Nd5 18.Nxd5 Bxd5 19.b5 f4 20.exf4 Rxf4 21.bxa6 e3 22.fxe3 1-0 Dzagnidze,N (2309)-Huang,Q (2305) WYg16 Heraklio GRE 2002 (8)]
8.Bxc4 c5 9.0-0 a6 10.dxc5 Nxc5 11.b4



Qd1xd8 would now be deadly. **11...Nce4 12.Nxe4 Nxe4 13.Bxe7 Qxe7 14.Qd4 Nd6 15.Be2 b5 16.Rfd1 Rd8 17.Rac1** 0.05/22 White is much more active.
[17.Qb6± 0.73/21]
17...Bb7= The position is equal. **18.Qb6**



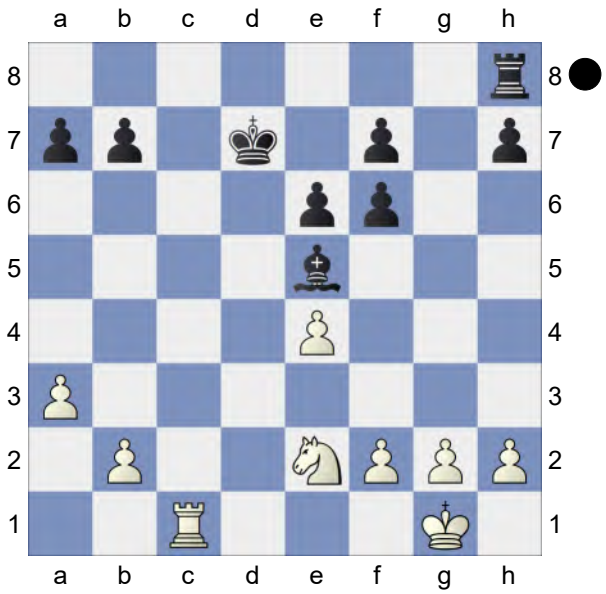
And now Rc1-c7 would win. **18...Bd5 19.Rc7 Qf6 20.Qd4**
[20.Nd4 looks sharper. h6 21.Rdc1 Nc4 22.Qc5]
20...Qxd4 21.Nxd4 Rdc8 22.Rdc1

Rxc7 23.Rxc7 Rc8 24.Rxc8+ Nxc8 Endgame. KBN-KBN **25.Bd3 Nd6** Inhibits e3-e4. **26.f3 e5 27.Nf5 Nxf5 28.Bxf5** KB-KB **28...Bb7** Prevents Bf5-c8 **29.Kf2 h6 30.Ke2 Kf8 31.Kd3 Ke7 32.Be4 Bxe4+ 33.Kxe4 Ke6** Weighted Error Value: White=0.10 (very precise) /Black=0.04 (flawless)
½-½

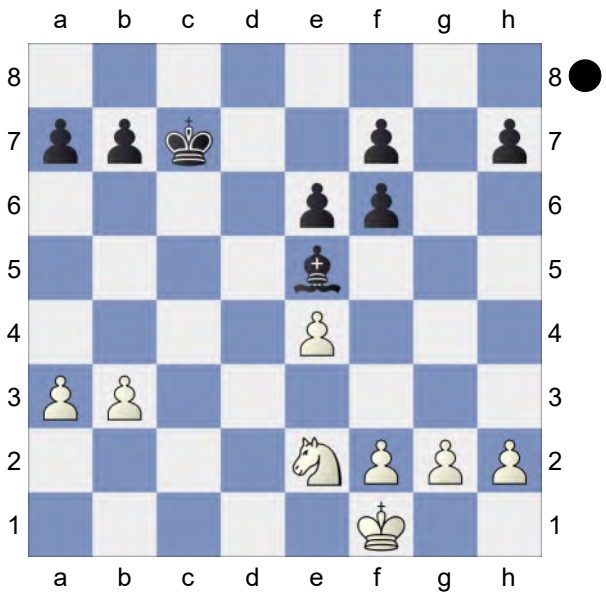
D39

□ **Chekhover,Vitaly**
■ **Lasker,Emanuel**
Moscow (4) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D39: Queen's Gambit Declined: Ragozin Defence with 5 Bg5 dxc4 **1.c4 Nf6 2.Nc3 e6 3.Nf3 d5 4.d4N**
[4.e3 Be7 *(4...a6 5.b3 c5 6.Bb2 Nc6 7.cxd5 exd5 8.Rc1 Bg4 9.h3 Bh5 10.Na4 Nd7 11.Be2 b5 12.Nc3 Nf6 13.0-0 Be7 14.a4 Bxf3 15.Bxf3 Rb8 16.axb5 axb5 17.Ne2 Qd6 18.Nf4 Nb4 19.Ba3* 1-0 Mamedyarov,S (2808)-Georgiadis,N (2527) Accentus Biel GM Tournament 2018 (1.2)*; 4...Bd6 5.b3 b6 6.Bb2 0-0 7.Rc1 c5 8.cxd5 exd5 9.d4 Bb7 10.Be2 Nbd7 11.0-0 Rc8 12.Re1 Qe7 13.Bf1 Qe6 14.Ne2 Ne4 15.Nf4 Bxf4 16.exf4 Qd6 17.g3 Rfe8 18.Ne5 f6 19.Ng4* 1-0 6.♔f1 ♘c6 (2397)-Lanica,L (2265) DSB Kongress-16 Hauptturnier A_231737 Düsseldorf 1908 (5) *)* 5.b3 0-0 6.Bb2 c5 7.cxd5 exd5 8.d4 Nc6 9.Be2 Ne4 10.dxc5 Bf6 11.Nd4 Nxc5 12.Nxc6 bxc6 13.0-0 Bf5 14.Rc1 Re8 15.Ba1 d4 16.exd4 Bxd4 17.Na4 Bxa1 18.Rxc5 Rxe2 0-1 Gade,M (2506)-Boulos,C (2529) 44/470 Belgrad 1987 (4)]
4...dxc4 5.e4 Bb4 6.Bg5 c5 7.Bxf6 -0.28/21
[7.Bxc4± 0.31/19 cxd4 8.Nxd4]
7...Qxf6= 8.Bxc4 cxd4 9.Qxd4 Black is slightly better. **9...Nc6** -0.09/21
[9...Qxd4∓ -0.53/20 10.Nxd4 Bd7]
10.Qxf6 -0.62/21
[10.Qe3= -0.09/21]
10...gxf6∓ 11.Rc1 Bd7 12.0-0 Rc8 13.a3 Bd6 14.Ne2 -1.24/20
[14.Rfd1∓ -0.66/20 Ke7 15.Be2]
14...Ne5 -0.70/25
[Black should play 14...Ke7∓ -1.24/20 ...Nc6-e5 would now be deadly. 15.Bb5 a6]
15.Nxe5 Bxe5 16.Bb5 Deflection **16...Rxc1 17.Bxd7+ Kxd7 18.Rxc1**



Rc8! Dodges Rc1-c2
[18...Bxb2 19.Rb1 Be5 *(19...Bxa3 20.Rxb7+ Kd6 21.Rxa7±)* 20.Rxb7+ Bc7 21.Rxa7±]
19.Rxc8 -1.39/24
[⌓19.Nc3 -0.94/24]
19...Kxc8∓ Endgame. KB-KN **20.b3 Kc7** Threatens to win with ...b7-b5. **21.Kf1**
(Diagram)



b5!
[21...Bxh2? too greedy. 22.g3+-]
22.Ke1 Bb2
[22...Bxh2? perishes. 23.g3+-]
23.a4 bxa4 24.bxa4 Kc6 25.Kd2 Kc5 26.Nc3 Kb4 27.Nb5 a5 -0.73/26
[Weaker is 27...Kxa4 28.Nxa7 Bd4 29.Nc6 Bxf2 30.Nd8=]
[⌓27...a6 -1.44/26 28.Nd6 Kxa4]
28.Nd6 -2.24/26 Loses the game.
[28.Kd3∓ -0.73/26]
28...Kxa4-+ Strongly threatening ...Ka4-b3. **29.Kc2 Be5 30.Nxf7 Bxh2 31.Nd8 e5** ...Bh2-g1 is the strong threat. **32.Nc6?** -4.01/26
[32.Kc3 -1.99/24]
32...Bg1 33.f3 Bc5 Inhibits Nc6-e7. **34.Nb8 Kb5** Black is clearly winning. **35.g4 Be7 36.g5 fxg5 37.Nd7 Bd6** Hoping for ...h7-h5. **38.Nf6 Kc4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.35/ Black=0.13 (very precise)
0-1

C11

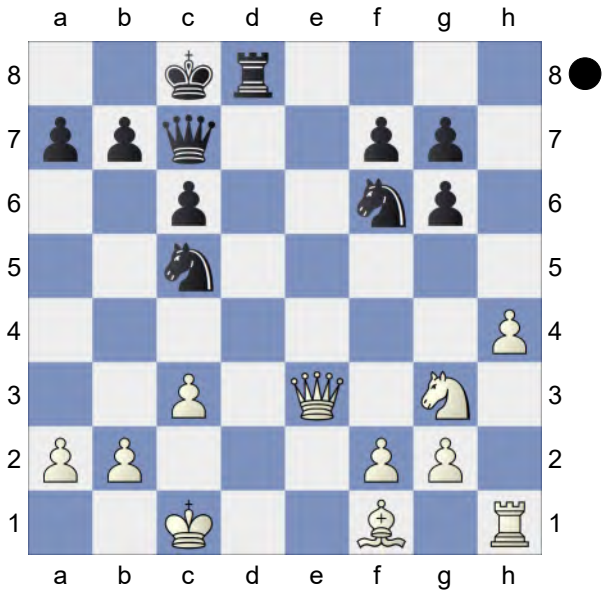
□ **Lasker,Emanuel**
■ **Lilienthal,Andor**
Moscow (5) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

C11: French: Classical System: 4 e5 and 4 Bg5 dxe4 **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bd3 c5 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.exd5 Nxd5** 0.44/19
[6...exd5= 0.01/21 7.0-0 cxd4]
7.Ne2 -0.32/18
[White should play 7.Nxd5± 0.44/19 exd5 8.dxc5]
7...Be7 0.25/19
[7...cxd4∓ -0.32/18 8.Nfxd4 Ne5]
8.0-0 White has an edge. **8...0-0 9.c3** Dodges Nc6-b4 **9...b6 10.Qc2 h6 11.Rd1 Qc7 12.a3 cxd4 13.Nexd4** -0.25/21
[13.Bh7+ 0.15/19 was preferrable. Kh8 14.Be4]
13...Nxd4= 14.Nxd4 Bb7 15.Qe2 Nf6 16.Be3 Rfd8N
[16...Rad8 17.Ba6 Bxa6 18.Qxa6 Ng4 19.Nf3 e5 20.h3 Nxe3 21.fxe3 e4 22.Nh2 Bc5 23.Nf1 Qf4 24.Qe2 ½-½ Sierra Vallina,L-Lyublinsky,V 1 Cappelle la Grande 1995]
17.Ba6 -0.81/22
[17.h3= -0.29/17 remains equal.]
17...Bxa6∓ 18.Qxa6 Ng4 19.Nf3 e5 -0.55/18
[Better is 19...Bd6∓ -0.92/18 20.h3 Nxe3 21.fxe3 Rac8]
20.h3 -1.04/22
[20.Qa4∓ -0.55/18 Nxe3 21.fxe3]
20...Nxe3 Black is better. **21.fxe3 e4 22.Nh2 Bc5** White is weak on the dark squares **23.Nf1 Qf4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.24 (precise) /Black=0.16 (very precise)
½-½

B18

□ **Bohatirchuk,Fedor Parfenovich**
■ **Chekhover,Vitaly**
Moscow (5) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

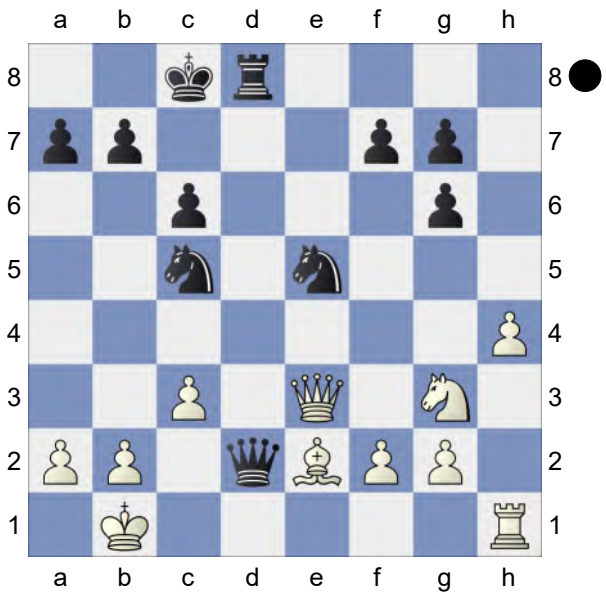
B18: Classical Caro-Kann: 4...Bf5 sidelines **1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 dxe4 4.Nxe4 Bf5 5.Ng3 Bg6 6.Nh3 e6 7.Nf4 Nf6 8.h4 e5 9.dxe5 Qa5+ 10.c3** White is slightly better. **10...Qxe5+ 11.Qe2 Nbd7 12.Nxg6N** 0.14/20
[12.h5± 0.89/19 Qxe2+ *(12...Bc2 13.Be3 Ba4 14.Nd3 Qe6 15.Rh4 Bb5 16.Bd4 Qxe2+ 17.Bxe2 c5 18.Nxc5 Bxc5 19.Bxb5 Bxd4 20.Rxd4 0-0-0 21.0-0-0 Ne5 22.Be2 Rxd4 23.Rxd4 Rd8 24.Nf5 g6 25.Nd6+ Kb8 26.Nxb7 Rxd4 27.cxd4* 1-0 10.♕d8+ Kf7 11.♘f3-Gerogiannis,C Wattens op 15th 2000 (6) *Nc6 28.Nd6 Nxd4 29.Bd1 gxh5 30.Nxf7 Ng4 31.Ng5 Nxf2 32.Bxh5 h6 33.Nf7 Nf5 34.Kd2 Ne4+ 35.Kd3 Nf6 36.Bf3 h5 37.Nd8 Kc7 38.Ne6+ Kb6 39.Nf4 h4 40.Kc4 Nd7 41.Kd5 Nc5 42.Ke5* 1-0 10.♕d8+ Kf7 11.♘f3-Gerogiannis,C Wattens op 15th 2000 (6) *)* 13.Bxe2]
12...hxg6
[12...Qxe2+ simplifies 13.Bxe2 hxg6 14.Bf4 0-0-0]
13.Be3 -0.76/20
[13.Bf4= 0.18/19 Qxe2+ 14.Bxe2]
13...0-0-0!∓ 14.0-0-0 Bc5 ...Bc5xe3+ would now be deadly. **15.Bd4 Qc7 16.Bxc5** -1.72/21
[White should play 16.Kb1∓ -0.70/19]
16...Nxc5-+ 17.Rxd8+ -2.25/22
[⌓17.Rd4 -1.72/22]
17...Rxd8 18.Qe3 -3.77/22
[⌓18.Kb1 -2.43/22 Qf4 19.Qf3]



18...Ng4! A dynamic duo of knights.
19.Qf3
[19.Qxc5 Qf4+ 20.Kb1 *(20.Kc2? Qa4+ 21.b3 Qxa2+ 22.Kc1 Nxf2-+)* 20...Nxf2]
19...Ne5 -1.04/24
[19...f5-+ -3.88/23 and Black stays clearly on top. 20.Kb1 *(20.Nxf5? gxf5 21.Qxf5+ Qd7-+)* 20...Rd2]
20.Qe3∓ Ng4→ -0.01/21 Black is up to no good. Black has more active pieces.
[20...Qa5∓ -1.24/22 White must now prevent ...Qa5xa2! 21.Be2 Ncd3+ 22.Bxd3 Nxd3+ *(22...Rxd3 23.Qe2∓)* 23.Kb1 Qb5]
21.Qf3!= Loses the game.
[21.Qxc5? Qf4+ 22.Kb1 *(22.Kc2? Qa4+ 23.b3 Qxa2+ 24.Kc1 Nxf2-+)* 22...Nxf2-+]
21...Qd7 22.Be2 Qd2+ 23.Kb1 Ne5 (→ ...Nc5-a4!) 24.Qe3

(Diagram)

Na4 25.Qxd2 Rxd2 26.f4 Rxb2+ 27.Kc1 Nd7
[27...Rxa2 28.fxe5 Nxc3 29.Bf3=]
28.Bc4 Rxg2 29.Ne4 f5 30.Nd6+ Kc7



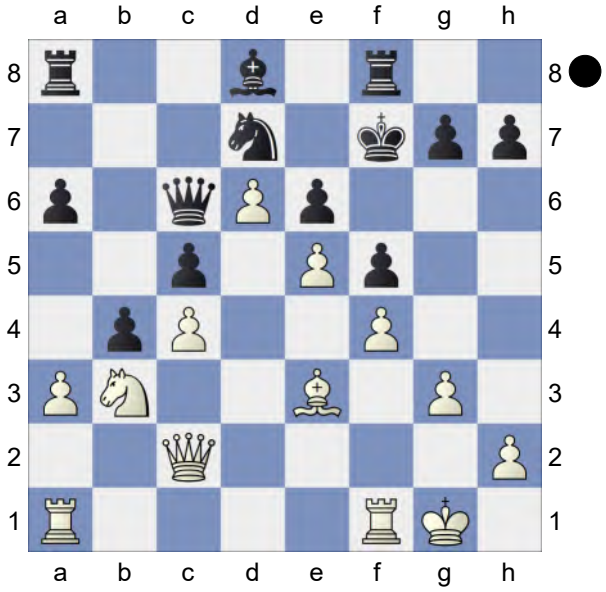
31.Ne8+ Kd8 32.Nxg7 Nxc3 33.h5 gxh5
[33...Nxa2+ 34.Bxa2 gxh5 *(34...Rxa2 35.Kb1=)* 35.Ne6+ Ke7 36.Bb3∓]
34.Nxf5 Nf6
[Not 34...Nxa2+ 35.Bxa2 Rxa2 36.Rxh5-+]
35.a3 Ne2+ -2.06/22
[⌓35...Rg4 -4.19/20 36.Bf7 Ne2+ *(36...Rxf4? 37.Ng7-+)* 37.Kb1 Nxf4 *(37...Rxf4? 38.Ng7-+)*]
36.Bxe2-+ Rxe2 Endgame. KRN-KRN **37.Ng7 Rf2 38.Re1** -3.31/20
[⌓38.Nxh5 -2.28/20 Nxh5 39.Rxh5 Rxf4 40.Ra5]
38...Kd7
[38...Rxf4? loses. 39.Ne6+ Kd7 40.Nxf4+-]
[Don't take 38...h4 39.Rh1-+]
39.f5 c5 40.Re5? -4.96/20
[40.Rh1 -2.51/19 might work better.]
40...b6 41.a4 Rg2 42.Ne6 Kd6 43.Re3 Rf2 Wards off Ne6-f4 **44.Ng7 Kd5** Black is clearly winning. **45.Re7 h4 46.Re3 Ra2 47.Kb1 Rxa4 48.Re6 Rg4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.38/ Black=0.41
0-1

D23

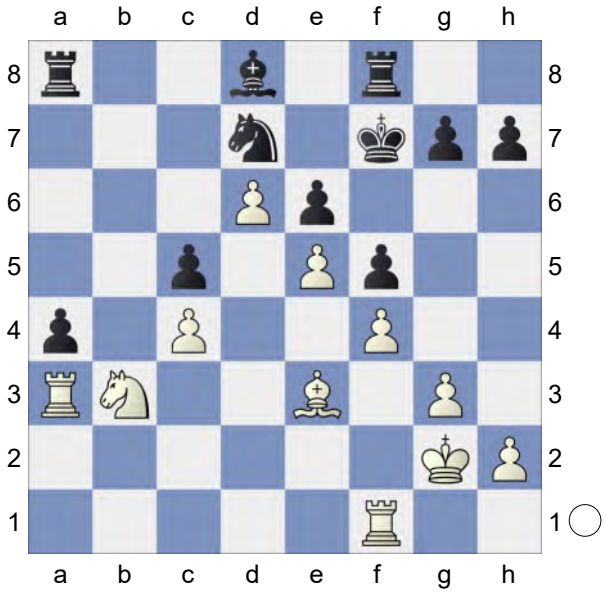
□ **Botvinnik,Mikhail**
■ **Levenfish,Grigory**
Moscow (5) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D23: Queen's Gambit Accepted: 3 Nf3 Nf6 sidelines Inf 1/337 **1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Qa4+ c6 5.Qxc4 Bf5 6.Nc3 Nbd7 7.g3**
[7.e3 e6 8.Nh4 Bg4 9.h3 Bh5 10.g4 Nd5 11.Nf5 Bg6 12.Ng3 Nb4 13.Nce4 Qa5 14.Bd2 Qd5 15.Bxb4 Qxc4 16.Bxc4 Bxb4+ 17.Ke2 8. ♘ bd2 ♖ e8 9. ♗ a4_65946-Ambartsoumian,A US Open Framingham 2001]
7...Ne4 0.35/19
[7...e6= -0.01/19]
8.Bg2± Nd6N White is slightly better.
[8...Nb6 9.Qd3 Nxc3 10.Qxf5 e6 11.Qd3 Ncd5 12.0-0 Be7 13.e4 Nf6 14.Be3 0-0 15.Rfd1 Nbd7 16.h3 Qa5 17.a3 Rfc8 18.Rac1 Qd8 19.g4 Nf8 20.g5 Ne8 21.h4 Bd6 22.Bh3 Qe7 23.e5 1-0 Portisch,L-Garcia,R Mar del Plata Mar del Plata 1/337 1966]
9.Qa4 Nb6 10.Qd1 Qc8 0.98/21
[Better is 10...g6± 0.47/20]
11.0-0± Bh3 1.82/19
[11...g6± 0.89/19 keeps fighting.]
12.e4+- Bxg2 13.Kxg2 e6 14.d5 Be7 15.e5 Nb5 16.d6 Nxc3 17.bxc3 Bd8 18.Qd4 c5 2.19/20
[18...0-0± 1.45/19 was necessary. 19.Re1 c5]
19.Qg4 Rg8 20.Qe4 Rh8 21.Be3 Nd7 22.Nd2 f5 23.Qa4 1.30/20

[23.exf6+- 2.34/21 Nxf6 24.Qf3]
23...Kf7± 24.f4 White has more active pieces. **24...a6 25.Kg1 b5 26.Qc2 Qc6 27.c4** 1.12/19
[White should try 27.a4+- 1.68/18]
27...Rf8 28.Nb3 b4 29.a3



a3xb4 would now be deadly. **29...bxa3** 1.82/22
[29...a5± 1.12/22]
30.Rxa3 a5 31.Qg2 Qxg2+ 32.Kxg2 a4? 3.97/24
[32...Bb6 1.82/22 33.Rfa1 Ra7]



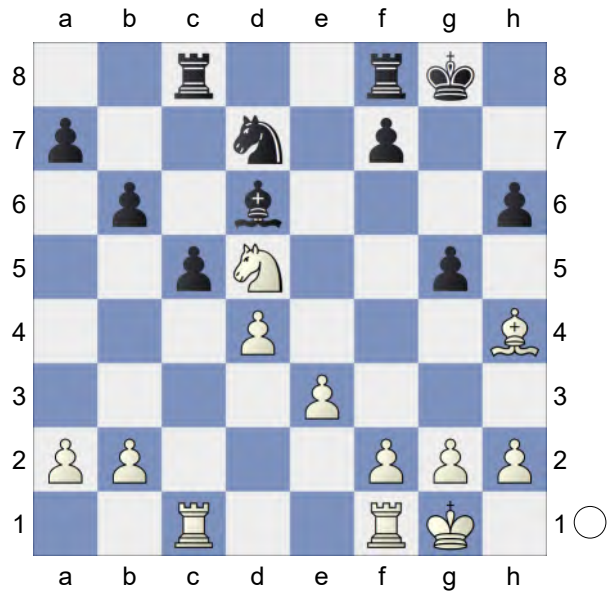
33.Nxc5+-
[Inferior is 33.Bxc5 Rb8= *(33...axb3? 34.Rxa8 Nxc5 35.Rb8+-)*]
33...Nxc5 34.Bxc5 Rc8 35.Bf2
[Less strong is 35.Bb4 Rxc4 36.Rxa4 Bb6±]
35...Rxc4 36.Rfa1 Rc2 37.R1a2
[Don't play 37.Rxa4 Bb6+-]
37...Rxa2 38.Rxa2 Kg6 White is clearly winning. **39.Rxa4 Rf7 40.Ra8 Rd7 41.Kf3 Kf7 42.Ke2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.13 (very precise) / Black=0.26 (precise)
1-0

D63

□ **Goglidze,Victor Arsentievich**
■ **Menchik,Vera**
Moscow (5) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D63: Queen's Gambit Declined: Classical: 7 Rc1 **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Bg5 Nbd7 5.e3 Be7 6.Nf3 0-0 7.Rc1 b6 8.cxd5 exd5 9.Qa4 Bb7 10.Ba6 Bxa6 11.Qxa6 c5 12.0-0 h6N**
[12...c4 13.Ne5 Nxe5 14.dxe5 Ne4 15.Nxe4 Bxg5 16.Rfd1 Re8 17.f4 Bh6 18.Nd6 Rxe5 19.fxe5 Bxe3+ 20.Kh1 Bxc1 21.Qb7 Bxb2 22.Qxf7+ Kh8 23.Qxd5 Qb8 24.Nf7+ Kg8 25.Rf1 Ba3 26.Ng5+ Kh8 27.Qe4 1-0 Martinovic,S-3. ♘d2 ♘c6 4.c3 CiF CP2-95-093A corr CiF g6 28.Rf7 Qg8 29.Qb7 1-0 Martinovic,S-3.♘d2 ♘c6 4.c3 CiF CP2-95-093A corr CiF]
13.Bh4 White has more active pieces.
13...Qc8 14.Qxc8 Raxc8 15.Ne5 0.29/21
[15.Rfd1± 0.67/20]

15...g5 1.54/22
[15...Rfd8!= 0.29/21 remains equal.]
16.Nxd7± Nxd7 17.Nxd5 Bd6 3.84/23
[17...Bd8± 1.47/23]

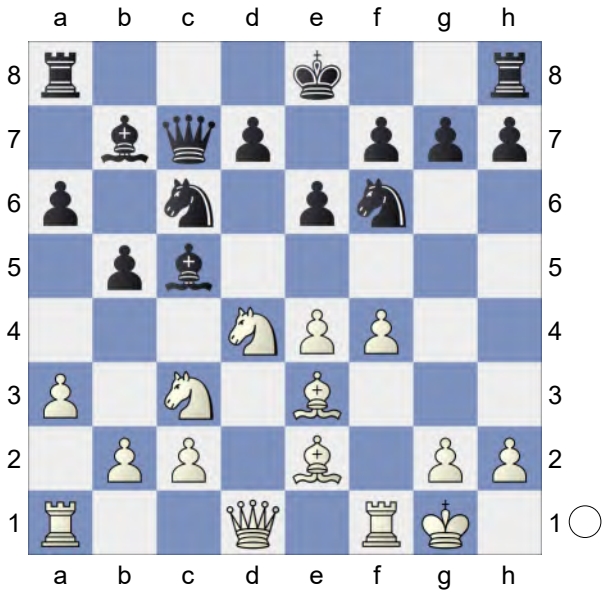


18.Bg3+- Rc6 6.02/24
[⌓18...Bxg3 4.07/22 19.Ne7+ *(19.fxg3 Kg7+-; 19.hxg3 Rfe8+-)* 19...Kg7 20.Nxc8 *(20.fxg3 Rce8+-; 20.hxg3 Rcd8+-)* 20...Bxf2+ 21.Kxf2 Rxc8]
19.Nb4 Pin. Black did not feel at home in the position after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.08 (flawless) / Black=1.39
1-0

B47

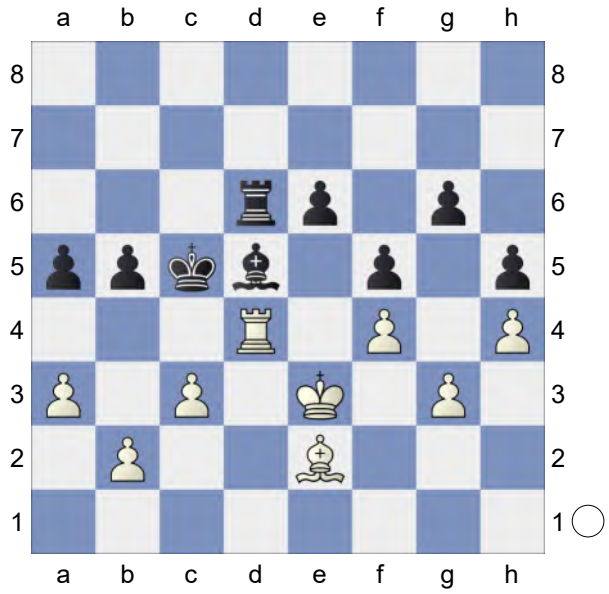
□ **Kan,Ilia Abramovich**
■ **Flohr,Salo**
Moscow (5) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

B49: Sicilian: Taimanov: 5 Nc3 Qc7 6 Be3 a6 7 Be2 **1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Qc7**
[4...d6 5.c4 Nf6 6.Nc3 Qb6 7.Nxc6 bxc6 8.Be2 g6 9.0-0 Bg7 10.Qc2 0-0 11.Be3 Qc7 12.Rac1 Ng4 13.Bxg4 Bxg4 14.h3 Be6 15.Ne2 c5 16.Nf4 Rfb8 17.Rb1 a5 18.Nd5 Bxd5 19.exd5 1-0 Fuks,M (2095)-Dalkiran,S (1993) 4/385 United States 1967 (4)]
5.Nc3 e6 6.Be2N
[6.g3 a6 7.Bg2 Nf6 8.0-0 Be7 9.Nce2 0-0 10.c4 Nxd4 11.Qxd4 d6 12.b3 Bd7 13.Bb2 Bc6 14.Rac1 b6 15.Nc3 Qb7 16.Rfe1 Rfd8 17.Qe3 Re8 18.Qd2 b5 19.Nd5 exd5 20.cxd5 Bd7 ½-½ Sarbay-Leuthold_H/Schlumpf_H 107/(248) Bischwiller 2009 21.e5 Ng4 22.h3 Nh6 23.e6 Bc8 24.g4 Qb8 25.g5 Nf5 26.Be4 fxe6 27.Bxf5 e5 28.Qd3 Bxf5 29.Qxf5 Qd8 30.h4 Rf8 31.Qe6+ Kh8 32.Re4 Qb6 33.Rc2 Rae8 34.Rxe5 Qd8 35.Rf5 Rg8 ½-½ Damjanovic,M-Langeweg,K 1/269 Beverwijk 1966]
6...Nf6 7.0-0 a6 8.a3 b5 9.Be3 Bb7 10.f4 Bc5



And now ...Qc7-b6 would win. **11.Qd3 Qb6 12.Rad1 d5 13.exd5** White has an edge. **13...Nxd4 14.Bxd4 0-0-0**

15.Bxc5 Qxc5+ 16.Qd4 Qxd4+ 17.Rxd4 Black must now prevent a3-a4. **17...Nxd5 18.Nxd5 Rxd5 19.Rfd1 Rhd8 20.Rxd5 Bxd5=** Endgame. KRB-KRB **21.Kf2 Kc7 22.g3 Rc8 23.c3 Kc6 24.Rd4 Kc5 25.Ke3 g6 26.Bd3 h5 27.h4 Re8 28.Be4 f5** 0.57/24
[28...a5= 0.08/24 should be considered.]
29.Bf3 Re7 30.Kf2 0.01/27
[30.Bd1± 0.48/24]
30...Ra7 31.Ke3 a5 32.Be2 Ra8 33.Kf2 Rd8 0.37/26
[33...a4= 0.01/28 feels stronger.]
34.Ke3 -0.01/25
[34.a4!± 0.37/26 might be stronger. b4 35.Bb5]
34...Rd6? 1.65/27
[34...Ra8= -0.01/25]



35.Bd3? 0.10/27
[35.a4!+- 1.65/27 bxa4 36.Rxa4]
35...Rb6 36.Be2 Rb8 0.56/27
[36...Rd6= -0.01/30]
37.Bd3 -0.01/29
[37.b4+± 0.56/27 axb4 38.Rxb4 *(38.cxb4+ Kb6±)*]
37...Rb7 38.Be2 Re7 0.57/27
[38...a4= 0.01/28]
39.Bd3 0.01/25
[39.b4+± 0.57/27 axb4 40.cxb4+ *(40.axb4+ Kb6=)* 40...Kb6 41.Kd2]
39...Re8 0.53/26
[Better is 39...Rb7!= 0.01/25]
40.Bf1 0.01/26
[White should try 40.b4+± 0.53/26 axb4 41.Rxb4 *(41.cxb4+ Kb6=)*]
40...Ra8 The position is equal. **41.Bd3 a4 42.Rb4 Ra5 43.Be2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.25 (precise) /Black=0.25 (precise)
½-½

E35

□ **Alatortsev,Vladimir**
■ **Romanovsky,Peter Arsenievich**
Moscow (5) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

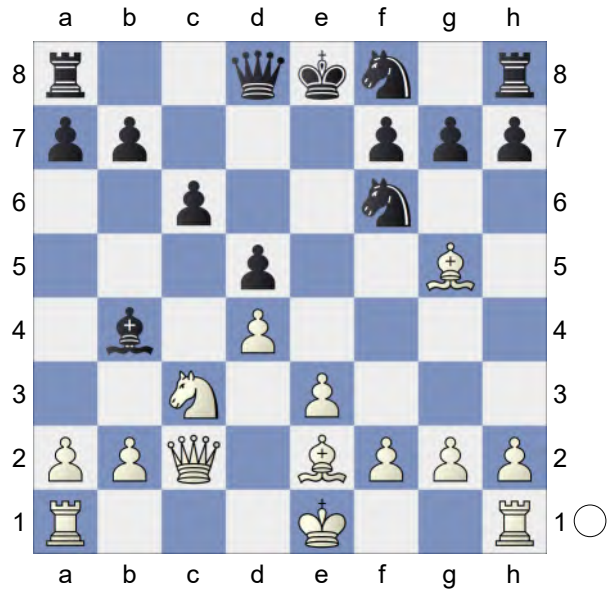
E35: Nimzo-Indian: Classical: 4...d5 5 cxd5 exd5 **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Qc2 d5 5.cxd5 exd5 6.Bg5 Bg4N**
[6...0-0 7.a3 Be7 8.e3 Nbd7 9.Nf3 h6 10.Bh4 c6 11.Bd3 Re8 12.0-0 Ne4 13.Bxe7 Qxe7 14.b4 f5 15.b5 Nxc3 16.Qxc3 cxb5 17.Bxb5 a6 18.Ba4 Qd6 19.Rac1 b5 20.Bb3 Nf6 21.Ne5 1-0 Borwell,A (2385)-Jablonski,J (2260) corr ol11 bd06 ICCF 1992]
[6...h6 7.Bh4 0-0 8.e3 c6 9.Bd3 Re8 10.Nge2 Nbd7 11.0-0 *(11.0-0-0 Nf8 12.h3 Be6 13.f4 Rc8 14.Kb1 c5 15.f5 cxd4 16.exd4 Bd7 17.Qb3 Bxc3 18.Nxc3 Bc6 19.Rhe1 N8h7 20.Re5 Ng5 21.Rde1 Qa5 22.Rxe8+ Rxe8 23.Rxe8+ Nxe8 24.Bg3 Nf6 25.Bd6 Nge4* ½-½ Ivanov,J (2370)-Dobrev,N (2448)

Rohde op 07th Sautron 2007 (6)) 11...Nf8 12.Rab1 Bd6 13.Bg3 Qe7 14.Bxd6 Qxd6 15.Rfc1 Bd7 16.b4 Rac8 17.a4 Qe7 18.Ng3 Qd6 19.a5 b6 20.Na4 Rb8 21.Nf5 ½-½ Gmuer,A (2490)-Gysi,A (2445) corr Christoffel Memorial Section Red Switzerland 2002]
[6...c6 7.e3 Nbd7 8.Bd3 h6 9.Bh4 Nf8 10.Nge2 Ne6 11.0-0-0 Be7 12.f3 0-0 13.g4 b5 14.Bg3 c5 15.Bxb5 cxd4 16.exd4 Qb6 17.h4 Bb4 18.Qa4 a5 19.Be5 Nc7 20.g5 Nh5 21.Bd3 1-0 Popovic,P (2400)-Littlewood,J (2205) (m/10) 29/464 Mexiko 1980 (5)]

7.e3 c6 0.71/20
[7...h6± 0.32/19 should be considered. 8.Bxf6 Qxf6]

8.Bd3 Nbd7 White is slightly better.

9.Nge2 Bxe2 10.Bxe2 Nf8 1.17/21
[10...0-0= 0.28/19 remains equal.]



11.0-0 0.70/20
[11.Qb3!± 1.17/21 Qe7 12.a3]

11...Ne6 1.49/22
[11...a5± 0.70/20]

12.Bxf6± gxf6
[12...Qxf6? 13.Nxd5 cxd5 14.Qa4+ Kf8 15.Qxb4+ Qe7 16.Qb3]

13.Bd3 1.00/21
[⌓13.g3 1.42/19]

13...Bd6 1.48/19
[⌓13...h5 1.00/21]

14.a3 0.99/21
[14.Bxh7 Ng5 15.Bd3 Bxh2+ 16.Kh1 Bd6+ 17.Kg1 Nf3+ 18.gxf3 Rg8+-+]
[⌓14.g3 1.48/19]

14...Qc7 1.36/19
[⌓14...h5 0.99/21]

15.f4 0.97/20
[15.Bxh7? too greedy. Bxh2+ 16.Kh1 Nf8-+]
[⌓15.Rac1 1.36/19]

15...0-0-0 1.71/21
[15...h5± 0.97/20 keeps fighting.]

16.b4+-
[Resist 16.Bxh7 Kb8±]

16...Kb8 17.Na4 0.88/23
[Don't do 17.Bxh7 Qe7±]
[Better is 17.b5+- 1.70/19]

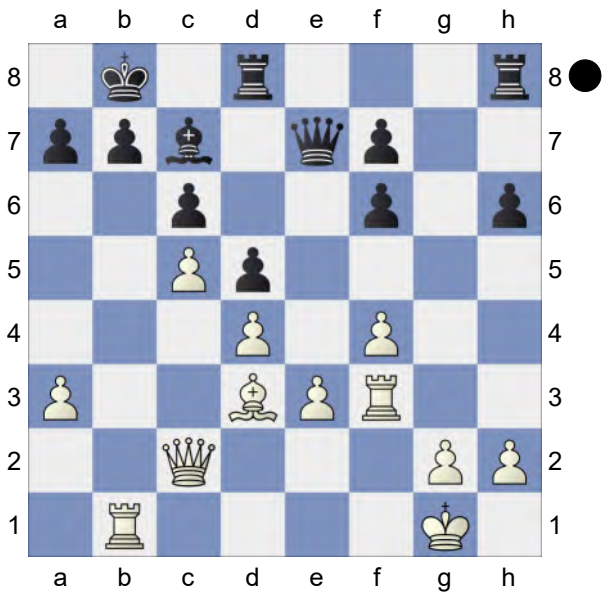
17...h6 18.Nc5 Qe7 19.Rf3 White has more active pieces. **19...Nxc5** 1.25/22
[⌓19...h5 0.86/19]

20.bxc5± Bc7 Black is weak on the light squares **21.Rb1**

(Diagram)

Black must now prevent Bd3-a6.

21...Ka8 22.Rb3 Ba5 23.Bf5 Qc7
Weighted Error Value: White=0.23 (precise) /Black=0.32
½-½

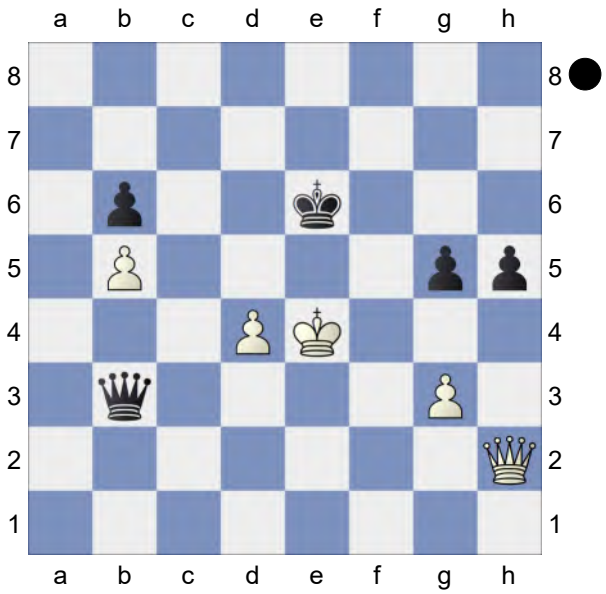


A11

□ **Lisitsin,Georgy**
■ **Capablanca,Jose Raul**
Moscow (5) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A11: English Opening: 1...c6 Inf 8/506
1.Nf3 d5 2.c4 c6 3.e3 Nf6 4.Nc3 Bg4 5.cxd5
[5.Qb3 Qb6 6.Ne5 Be6 7.d4 Nbd7 8.Nxd7 Bxd7 9.cxd5 Nxd5 10.Bc4 e6 11.e4 Qxb3 12.Bxb3 Nxc3 13.bxc3 c5 14.0-0 Rc8 15.Rd1 b6 16.d5 c4 17.dxe6 fxe6 18.Bc2 Bc5 19.Kf1 h6 1-0 Wang,Y (2749)-Zhou,J (2650) TCh-CHN Beijing CHN 2010 (17)]
5...Nxd5 6.Be2N
[6.d4 Nd7 7.h3 Bh5 8.Bd3 e6 9.e4 N5b6 10.0-0 Be7 11.a4 a5 12.Be2 0-0 13.Bf4 Bf6 14.Be3 Bxf3 15.Bxf3 Nc4 16.Bc1 c5 17.d5 Bd4 18.Nb5 Qf6 19.Nxd4 cxd4 20.Kh1 Rfd8 ½-½ Polugaevsky,L-Kupreichik,V Moscow Moscow 8/506 1969]
6...e6 7.d4 Nd7 8.0-0 White is slightly better. **8...Qc7 9.Bd2 Bd6 10.Ne4 N7f6 11.Nxd6+ Qxd6 12.Ne5** Discovered Attack **12...Bxe2 13.Qxe2 0-0 14.Rac1 Nb6 15.Nd3** Threatens to win with Bd2-b4. **15...Rfe8 16.Rfd1 Nbd7 17.h3** 0.54/20
[17.Bb4± 0.98/19 Qb8 18.Bc3]
17...Qd5 18.b3 Qb5 19.Bc3 Nd5 20.Qd2 Nxc3 21.Qxc3 Rad8 22.a4 Qb6 23.b4 Nf6 24.Qc4 Ne4 1.67/24
[24...Nd5± 0.90/21]
25.a5+- Qc7 26.a6 Rc8 27.axb7 Qxb7 28.Ra1 Rc7 29.Rdc1 Rb8 30.Qc2 And now f2-f3 would win.
30...Qc8 2.30/24
[30...Rbc8± 1.39/22 31.Nc5 Nxc5 32.bxc5 Ra8]
31.Ra5 Rb6 2.15/23
[31...Nf6 1.67/22 was worth a try. 32.Rca1 Ra8]
32.Qa4 Qb8 33.f3 0.71/23
[⌓33.Ra6 1.50/23]
33...Nf6 34.Rac5 -0.01/24
[34.e4± 1.01/22]
34...Nd5= 35.Rxc6 Rcxc6 36.Rxc6 Rxc6
[36...Nxb4? loses. 37.Rxb6 axb6 38.Qxb4+- *(38.Nxb4 h6+-)*]
[36...Nxe3?! 37.Qxa7 h6 *(37...Rxb4? 38.Nxb4 Qf8 39.Rb6+-)* 38.Qxb6+- *(38.Rxb6? Qxa7 39.Kf2 Nf5-+)*]
37.Qxc6 Nxe3 Endgame. KQN-KQN **38.Nc5 Nd5 39.b5 Nb6 40.Nd7 Qd8 41.Nxb6 axb6** KQ-KQ
[41...Qxd4+ with more complications. 42.Kh2 Qe5+ 43.f4 Qxf4+ 44.Kg1 Qd4+]
42.Qc4 h5 43.Kh1 g6 44.Kg1 Kg7 45.Kf1 Qd6 46.Kg1 Qf4 -0.01/26
[46...Qd7∓ -0.37/23 deserves consideration.]
47.Qc3 Kh7 48.Kf1 -0.41/25

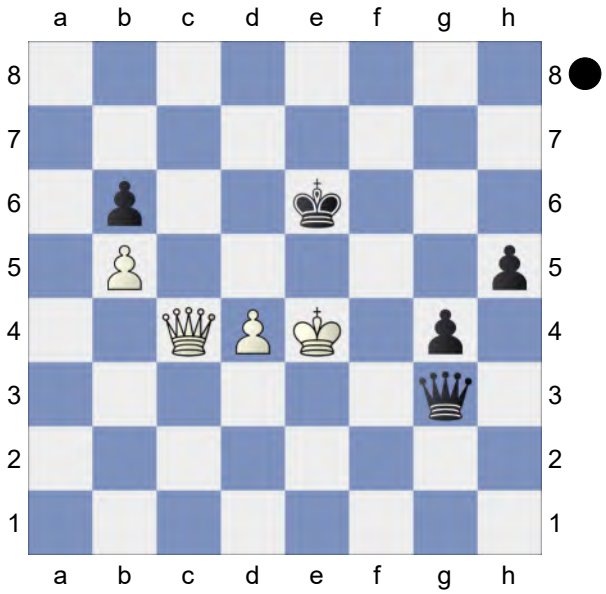
[48.Kf2= -0.01/27]
48...Qf5 -0.01/25
[48...h4∓ -0.41/25]
49.Qc4! Kg7 50.Kf2 Qg5 51.Qe2 Kf6 Wards off Qe2-e5+ **52.Qb2 Qd5 53.Ke3 e5** -0.01/23
[Black should play 53...h4∓ -0.59/22]
54.f4 -0.45/22
[54.g4= -0.01/23]
54...exf4+∓ 55.Kxf4 Ke6 -0.16/22
[55...h4∓ -0.52/22]
56.h4= f6 57.Ke3 Qc4 58.g3 -0.37/25
[58.Qb1= -0.01/23]
58...g5∓ 59.hxg5 fxg5 60.Qh2 -0.96/25
[White should try 60.Qb1!∓ -0.31/22]
60...Qb3+∓
[Don't play 60...Qxb5?! 61.Qxh5 Qb3+ 62.Kf2=]
61.Ke4



g4! Black is more active. **62.Qe2** Prevents Qb3-f3+ **62...Qxg3 63.Qc4+**

(Diagram)

Ke7 -0.62/20
[63...Kf6!∓ -1.58/23 64.Qc6+ Kg5 65.Qc1+ Kh4]
64.Qc8? -20.91/21



[64.Kf5∓ -0.62/20]
64...Qf3+-+ 65.Ke5 Qf6+ 66.Kd5 Qd6+ Never resign too early! Weighted Error Value: White=0.18 (very precise) / Black=0.16 (very precise)
0-1

E11

□ **Pirc,Vasja**
■ **Rabinovich,Ilya Leontievich**
Moscow (5) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

E11: Bogo-Indian **1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 e6 3.c4 Bb4+ 4.Bd2 Qe7 5.g3 Bxd2+ 6.Qxd2 Ne4 7.Qc2 f5 8.Nc3 Nxc3 9.Qxc3 0-0 10.Bg2 d6 11.0-0 Nc6N** 1.02/18
[11...Nd7± 0.57/17 should be considered. 12.Qa5 b6 13.Qa3 Bb7 14.Ne5 Bxg2 15.Kxg2 Nf6 16.Nf3 c5 17.Qe3 Rae8 18.dxc5 bxc5 19.Rfd1 e5 20.Qd2 Rd8 21.Qg5 Qe6 22.Rac1 f4 23.gxf4 exf4 24.Rc2 Qe4 25.Rdc1 h6 26.Qh4 g5 0-1 Gaszka,Z-3..Nf6 23/341 Tallinn 1977 27.Qxh6 g4 28.Kh1 Kf7

29.Rg1 Rh8 ½-½ Filip,M-Smyslov,V Capablanca mem Havana 1967 (16)]

12.b4± Bd7 13.e3 Nd8 14.Ne1 0.46/20

[14.Rfe1± 0.96/18]

14...e5± 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nd3 e4 17.Nf4 Ne6 18.Nd5 0.03/20

[18.Rfd1± 0.40/16]

18...Qf7= 19.Qe5 c6 20.Nc3 Rfe8 21.Rfd1 Nf8 22.Qd4 Be6 23.c5 Bc4 24.Qd2 -0.91/18

[24.Rac1= -0.25/18 keeps the balance. Bd3 25.b5]

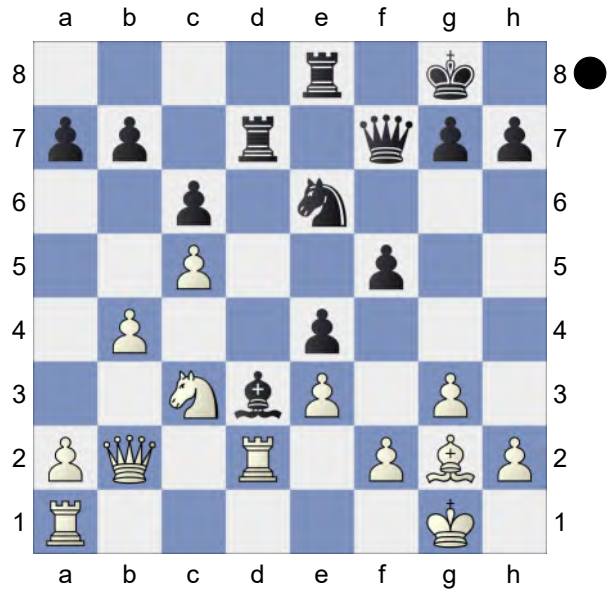
24...Ne6 -0.33/18

[24...Ng6∓ -0.91/18]

25.Ne2 Rad8 26.Qc2 Bd3 27.Qb2 Rd5 -0.06/20 White is weak on the light squares

[27...Qh5∓ -0.49/18 is superior. 28.Nd4 Nxd4 29.exd4 f4 30.Qb3+ Qf7 31.Qxf7+ Kxf7]

28.Nc3 Rd7 29.Rd2



Red8 -0.32/19

[29...h5!∓ -0.77/19]

30.Rad1∓ Nf8 -0.03/18

[30...h6∓ -0.40/18]

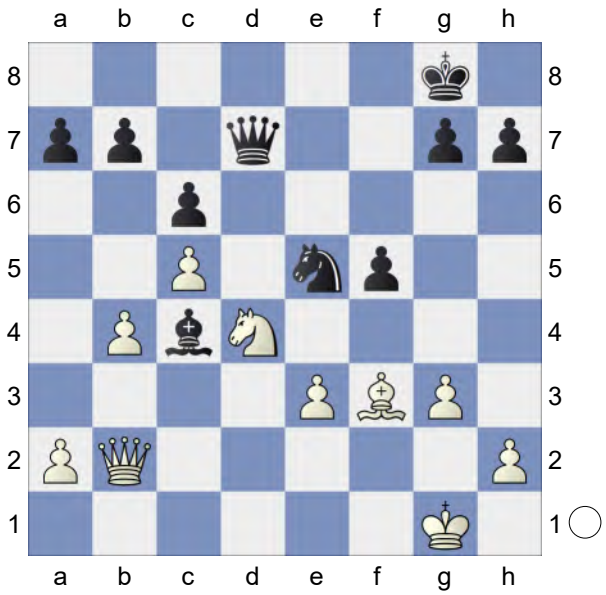
31.f3 exf3 32.Bxf3 Ng6 Strongly threatening ...Ng6-e5. **33.Ne2**

[33.Bd5 cxd5 34.Rxd3 Ne5-+]

33...Bc4 -0.01/22

[33...Qe6∓ -0.57/22 34.Kf2 *(34.Qb3? Qxb3 35.axb3 Ne5-+)* 34...Ne5]

34.Rxd7= Rxd7 35.Rxd7 Qxd7 36.Nd4 Wards off Qd7-e6 **36...Ne5**



And now ...Ne5xf3+ would win. **37.Bg2 Ng4 38.Qd2 g6 39.e4 fxe4 40.Bxe4 Qf7 41.Nf3 Qf6**

[41...Qe7 is interesting. 42.Qf4 Qd7 43.Bc2 Qe6]

42.Kg2 h2-h3 is the strong threat.

42...Qe7

[42...Qa1 seems wilder. 43.Qd8+ Kg7 44.Qd7+ Kh6]

43.Qe1

[43.Qf4 keeps more tension. Be6 44.Ng5 Bf5 45.Bf3]

43...Kf8

[43...Bxa2? too greedy. 44.Bd5+ Kf8 45.Bxa2+- *(45.Qxe7+ Kxe7 46.Bxa2 Ne3+ 47.Kf2 Nc2+-)*]

44.a3 Nf6 45.Qc3 Bg8 46.Bd3 Bd5 47.Bc4 -0.45/21

[47.h3= -0.01/20]

47...Be4 0.01/21

[47...Bxc4∓ -0.45/21 48.Qxc4 Nd5]

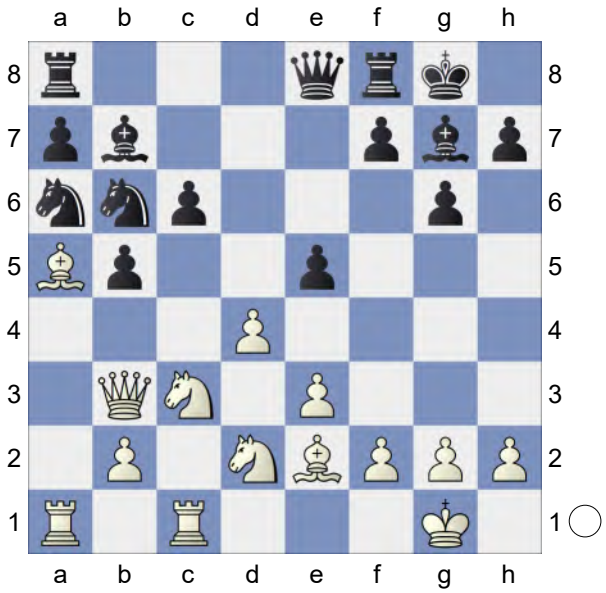
48.Kf1 Bxf3 49.Qxf3 Qe5 50.Qe2 Qf5+ 51.Kg2 Qg4 52.Kf2 -0.01/23

[52.h4± 0.36/24 was preferrable.]
52...Qd4+ 53.Kg2 Weighted Error Value: White=0.13 (very precise) / Black=0.13 (very precise)
½-½

D95

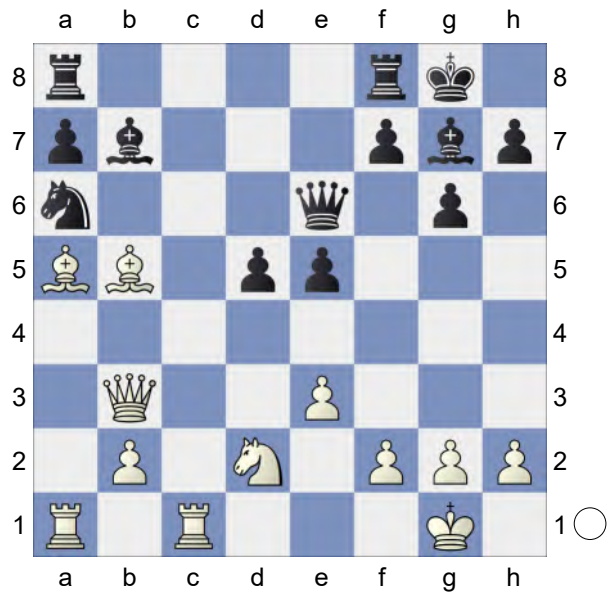
□ **Ragozin,Viacheslav**
■ **Spielmann,Rudolf**
Moscow (5) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D95: Grünfeld: 4 Nf3 Bg7 5 e3 0-0 6 Qb3
1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Nf3 Bg7 5.e3 0-0 6.Qb3 c6 7.Bd2 b6
[7...Qb6 8.Qa3 Bf5 9.Rc1 Nbd7 10.cxd5 cxd5 11.Be2 Rfc8 12.0-0 Bf8 13.Na4 Qd8 14.Qb3 Rcb8 15.Nc3 e6 16.h3 Ne4 17.g4 Nxc3 18.Bxc3 Be4 19.Ne5 Nxe5 20.dxe5 Qh4 21.Be1 Qxh3 22.f3 1-0 Abdusattorov,N (2762)-Nepomniachtchi,I (2767) Sinquefield Cup 11th Saint Louis 2024 (9)]
8.Be2
[8.Bd3 Bb7 9.0-0 Nbd7 10.Rfd1 dxc4 11.Bxc4 Ne8 12.Rac1 Nd6 13.Be2 c5 14.Be1 Rc8 15.dxc5 Nxc5 16.Qa3 Rc7 17.Nd5 Rd7 18.Bc3 Bxd5 19.Rxd5 Bxc3 20.Rxc3 Nb5 21.Rxd7 Qxd7 22.Bxb5 Qxb5 ½-½ Bohatirchuk,F-Spielmann,R Moscow IT 2nd 1935 (9)]
8...Bb7N
[8...e6 9.0-0 Bb7 10.Rfd1 Nbd7 11.Qc2 dxc4 12.Bxc4 c5 13.Be1 Qe7 14.Qe2 cxd4 15.exd4 Rfe8 16.Bd2 a6 17.a4 Qd6 18.Bg5 h6 19.Be3 Rec8 20.h3 Qb4 21.Bd3 Rd8 22.Rd2 Qa5 23.Qd1 ½-½ Kortschnoj,V (2630)-Popovic,P (2560) 44/585 Belgrad 1987 Nd5 24.Rc1 Rdc8 25.Nxd5 Bxd5 26.Rdc2 Rxc2 27.Qxc2 b5 28.Qc7 Qxc7 29.Rxc7 Nf6 30.axb5 axb5 31.Ne5 Ne8 32.Rd7 Bxe5 33.dxe5 Bc6 34.Rd4 Kg7 35.Rh4 h5 36.Rd4 Nc7 37.Rd6 Be8 38.Bg5 ½-½ Djuric,S (2630)-Robbiano Taboada,C (2560) 98/70 Dieren 2006]
9.0-0 Nbd7 10.a4 White is slightly better. **10...dxc4 11.Bxc4 Ne8 12.a5 b5** 0.71/22
[12...Rb8= 0.26/19]
13.a6± Bc8 14.Be2 Nc7 15.Ne4 Nxa6 16.Rfc1 Bb7 17.Ba5 White has strong compensation. White has more active pieces. **17...Qe8 18.Nfd2** 0.70/20
[18.h4± 1.10/20]
18...Nb6 19.Nc3 0.09/22
[19.h4± 0.93/20]
19...e5=

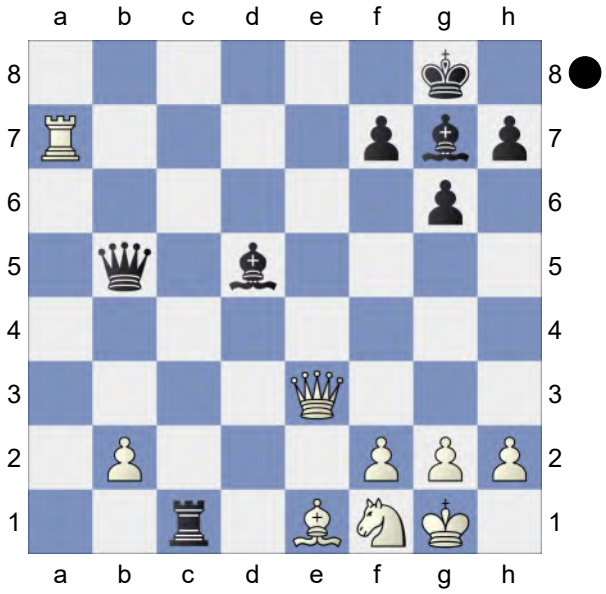


20.d5! Deflection **20...Nxd5**
[20...cxd5 21.Bxb5]
21.Nxd5 cxd5 22.Bxb5 -0.01/23
[22.e4!± 0.44/23]
22...Qe6

(Diagram)



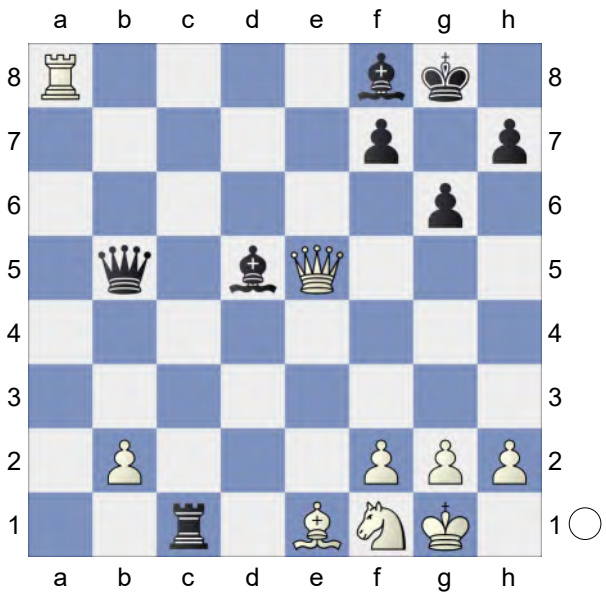
23.e4 -0.62/21 **Rab8** -0.04/22
[23...dxe4 24.Qxe6 fxe6 25.Bc6±]
[23...Rac8!∓ -0.62/21]
24.Bxa6 Bxa6 25.exd5
[25.Qxd5 simplifies Rxb2 26.Qxe6 fxe6 27.h4]
25...Qd7 26.Bb4 Rfc8 0.37/22
[26...Bd3∓ -0.44/21]
27.Rxc8+ 0.01/22
[27.d6± 0.37/22]
27...Bxc8 28.Qc4 Bb7 29.Rxa7 Rc8 Prevents d5-d6.
[29...Qxd5 simplifies 30.Qxd5 Bxd5 31.Bc3 e4]
30.Qd3 -1.21/24
[30.Bc5= -0.07/24]
30...e4∓ Discovered Attack
[30...Qxd5 31.Qxd5 Bxd5 32.Bc3∓]
31.Qxe4 -2.15/23
[31.Qe2∓ -1.31/24 was called for.]
31...Rc1+-+ 32.Nf1 Qb5
[32...Bxb2? 33.Rxb7 Qxb7 34.Qe8+ Kg7 35.Qf8+ Kf6 36.Qh8+ Kf5 37.Qxb2+-]
33.Be1 Bxd5? -0.56/26
[33...Bxb2 34.Ra5 Bxd5 35.Rxb5=]
[33...Bd4!-+ -2.29/24 34.Rxb7 *(34.Qxd4? Rxe1 35.h3 Bxd5-+)* 34...Qxb7 35.Qxd4 Rxe1]
34.Qe3∓



Bh6 -0.48/23 This pair of bishops is nice. White is weak on the light squares
35.Qe5 aiming for Ra7-a8+. **35...Bf8** 0.79/24
[35...Bc6!∓ -0.52/25 keeps the upper hand. 36.Ra8+ Bf8]
36.Ra5 Chess con chili. **36...Bg7?** 5.73/24
[36...Qd3± 0.58/25 37.Qxd5 *(37.Rxd5 Qb1=)* 37...Qxd5 38.Rxd5 Rxe1]
37.Ra8+
[Not 37.Qxd5 Qxd5 38.Rxd5 Rxe1±]
[37.Rxb5 Bxe5 38.Rxd5 Rxe1=]
37...Bf8

(Diagram)

38.Ra5? -0.01/22
[38.Rd8!+- 5.41/24 Rxe1 39.Qxe1]
38...Bg7!= 39.Qxg7+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.37/Black=0.44
[Less strong is 39.Qxd5 Qxd5 40.Rxd5 Rxe1±]
[Stronger than 39.Rxb5 Bxe5

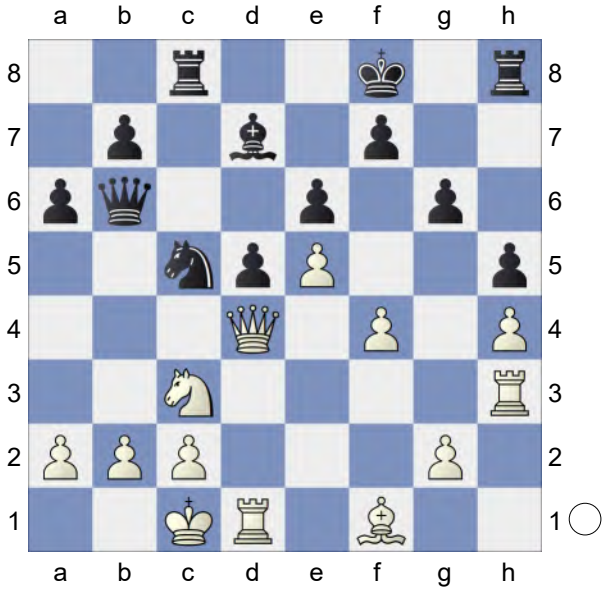


40.Rxd5 Rxe1=]
1-0

C13

□ **Riumin,Nikolay Nikolaevich**
■ **Stahlberg,Gideon**
Moscow (5) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

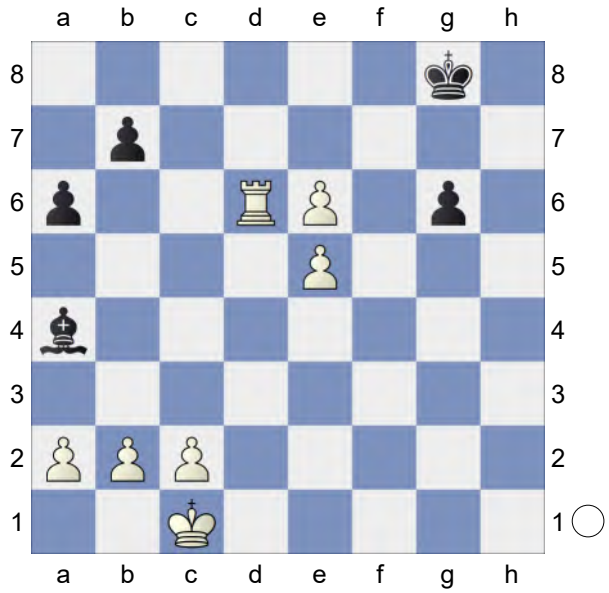
C14: French: Classical System: 4 Bg5 Be7 main line **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Be7 5.e5 Nfd7N**
[5...Ne4 6.Nxe4 dxe4 7.Be3 c5 8.dxc5 Nd7 9.Qg4 Qa5+ 10.c3 Bxc5 11.Qxg7 Rf8 12.Bxc5 Qxc5 13.0-0-0 Qxe5 14.Qh6 Nf6 15.Rd8+ Kxd8 16.Qxf8+ Kc7 17.Nh3 e3 18.Bc4 b5 19.Qxf7+ Bd7 20.f4 1-0 Iordachescu,V (2485)-Popescu,C (2300) ROM-chT Baile Tusnad 1997 Qe4 21.Qxf6 bxc4 22.Ng5 e2 23.Nxe4 1-0 Johansen,T (2485)-Ripley (2300) (ol) 14/421 Skopje 1972]
6.h4 c5 7.Bxe7 Kxe7 8.f4 White is more active. **8...Nc6 9.dxc5 Nxc5 10.Qg4 Kf8** White is slightly better. **11.0-0-0 Bd7 12.Nf3 Rc8 13.Rh3 h5 14.Qg3 g6 15.Qf2 Qb6 16.Nd4** Inhibits Nc5-b3+. **16...Nxd4 17.Qxd4 a6** 0.75/21
[17...Ke7= 0.26/20 is more appropriate.]



18.Be2 0.30/18
[18.Nxd5!± 0.75/21 exd5 19.e6 Bxe6 *(19...Nd3+ 20.Rdxd3 Qxd4 21.Rxd4±)* 20.Qxh8+ Ke7 21.Qe5]
18...Qc7 19.Rd2 Be8 20.g4 Black must now prevent g4xh5. **20...hxg4 21.Bxg4** aiming for h4-h5. **21...Rd8?** 2.34/19 This costs Black the game.
[21...Ne4!± 0.67/19]
22.h5+- Qb6 3.63/22
[⌓22...gxh5 2.56/19 23.f5 *(23.Bxh5 Rc8±; 23.Rxh5 Rxh5 24.Bxh5 f5±)* 23...exf5 24.Bxf5 *(24.Bxh5 Ne6∓)* 24...Ne6 25.Bxe6 fxe6 26.Rf3+ Bf7]
23.hxg6 Discovered Attack **23...Rxh3 24.Bxh3 fxg6 25.Bxe6** Deflection **25...Qa5?** 9.21/21
[25...Qxe6 3.90/21 26.Qxc5+ Qe7 27.Qxe7+ *(27.Rxd5 Qxc5 28.Rxc5 Bc6+-)* 27...Kxe7 28.Nxd5+

(28.Rxd5 Rxd5 29.Nxd5+ Kf7+-) 28...Kf7]

26.f5 White is clearly winning. **26...Nxe6 27.fxe6** Threatening mate with Qd4-h4! **27...Qc7** Black is weak on the dark squares **28.Qf4+ Kg8 29.Nxd5 Rxd5 30.Rxd5 Qc6 31.Rd6 Qa4 32.Qxa4 Bxa4**



33.Rd7! Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) /Black=0.34

1-0

E24

□ **Capablanca,Jose Raul**
■ **Ragozin,Viacheslav**
Moscow (6) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

E32: Nimzo-Indian: Classical (4 Qc2): 4... 0-0 **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.a3 Bxc3+ 5.bxc3 d6 6.Qc2**

[6.f3 0-0 7.e4 e5 8.Bg5 c5 9.d5 Nbd7 10.Bd3 h6 11.Be3 Re8 12.Ne2 Nf8 13.0-0 Ng6 14.Qd2 Kf8 15.Ng3 Ke7 16.Rab1 Qc7 17.Rb2 Kd8 18.Rfb1 Rb8 19.Bc2 Ne7 20.h4 Bd7 ½-½ Agrest,E (2584)-Ernst,T (2471) SWE-ch Skara 2002 (7)]

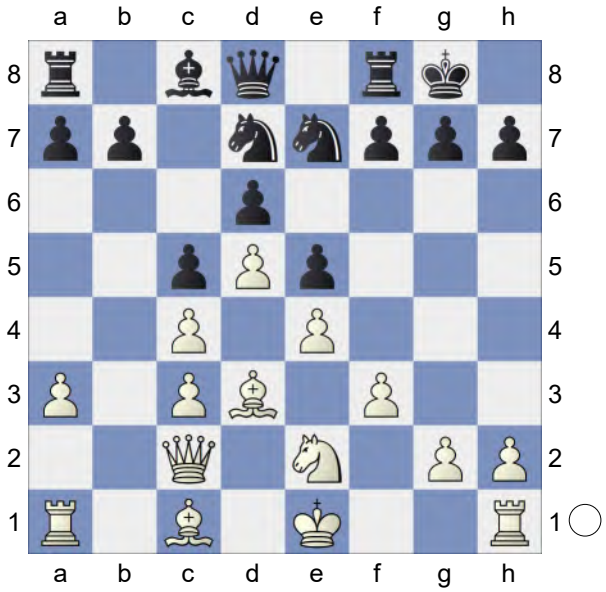
[6.e3 0-0 7.Bd3 e5 8.Ne2 e4 9.Bb1 Be6 10.Ba2 Nbd7 11.Ng3 Nb6 12.Qe2 c5 13.Bb2 Rc8 14.Rc1 Re8 15.0-0 Bg4 16.Qd2 h5 17.f3 exf3 18.gxf3 Be6 19.Qd3 h4 20.Ne2 Bh3 ½-½ Einarsson,E-Banerjee,S (1566) Reykjavik op 2023 (2)]

6...0-0 7.e4 e5 8.Bd3 c5N

[8...Nc6 9.Ne2 b6 10.f4 Bg4 11.d5 Bxe2 12.Bxe2 Na5 13.f5 Nb7 14.h4 Nc5 E 27/01 Chess Informant ECO E4 Survey 2008]

9.Ne2 White is slightly better. **9...Nc6 10.d5 Ne7 11.f3 Nd7** 1.15/21

[11...Ng6= 0.22/21 keeps the balance.]



12.h4!± White is more active. **12...Nb6 13.g4 f6 14.Ng3 Kf7** 1.51/20

[⌓14...Ng6 1.10/20]

15.g5 0.76/19

[White should play 15.a4 1.51/20]

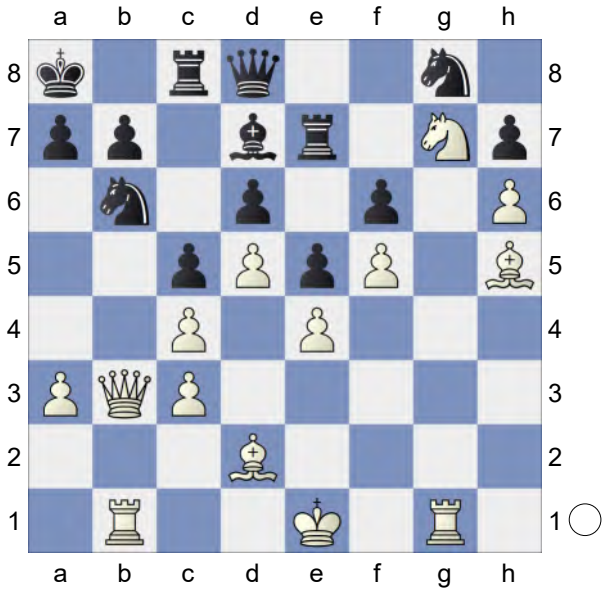
15...Ng8 2.07/18 Loses the game.

[15...Kg8± 0.76/19]

16.f4 Ke8 17.f5 1.43/18

[Better is 17.Qe2+- 1.99/18 And now Qe2-h5+ would win. exf4

18.Bxf4]
17...Qe7 2.38/18
[17...Kd7± 1.43/18 18.Nh5 Qe7]
18.Qg2 Kd8 19.Nh5 Kc7 20.gxf6 gxf6 2.61/19
[20...Nxf6 1.65/21 was worth a try. 21.Qxg7 *(21.Nxg7 Rg8±)* 21...Rf7]
21.Ng7+- Bd7 22.h5 Rac8 23.h6 Kb8 24.Rg1 Rf7 25.Rb1 Qf8 26.Be2 Ka8 27.Bh5 Re7 28.Qa2 Qd8 3.63/21
[⌓28...Na4 2.43/20]
29.Bd2 Na4 30.Qb3 Nb6



31.a4! Rb8
[31...Bxa4 32.Qa2]
32.a5 Nc8 33.Qa2 Black is weak on the light squares
[Resist 33.Ne6 Bxe6 34.dxe6 *(34.fxe6 Qf8+-)* 34...Qf8+-]
33...Qf8 34.Be3 b6 35.a6 White is clearly winning. **35...Qd8 36.Kd2 Qf8 37.Rb2 Qd8 38.Qb1**
[But not 38.Ne6 Bxe6 39.dxe6 *(39.fxe6 Qf8+-)* 39...d5 40.cxd5 *(40.exd5 Nd6+-)* 40...Nd6]
38...b5 39.cxb5 Nb6 40.Qa2 Wards off Nb6-c4+ **40...c4 41.Qa3 Qc7 42.Kc1 Rf8 43.Rbg2 Qb8 44.Qb4 Rd8 45.Rg3 Rf8 46.Ne6 Bxe6 47.dxe6 Rc7 48.Qxd6** Threatening mate with Rg3xg8! **48...Ne7 49.Rd1** Weighted Error Value: White=0.23 (precise) /Black=0.45
1-0

D34

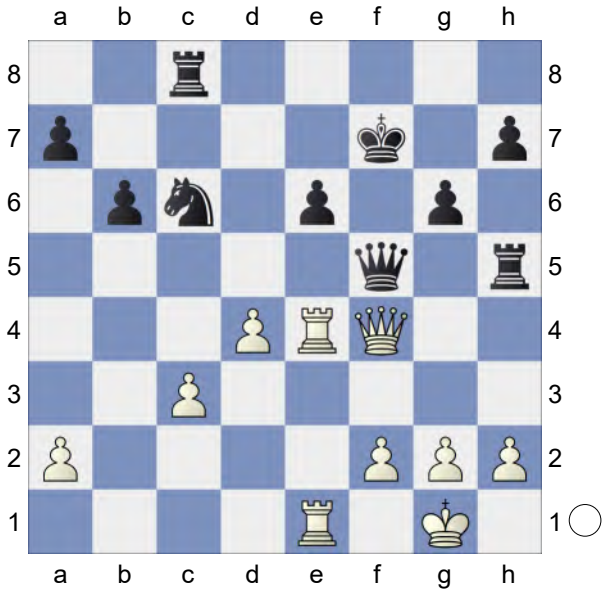
□ **Flohr,Salo**
■ **Lasker,Emanuel**
Moscow (6) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D34: Tarrasch Defence: 6 g3 Nf6 7 Bg2 Be7 **1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 c5 4.cxd5 exd5 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.g3 Nf6 7.Bg2 Be7 8.0-0 0-0 9.Be3 Ng4 10.Bf4 Be6 11.dxc5 Bxc5 12.Ne1 Bd4 13.Nd3 Nf6 14.Rc1** White is slightly better. **14...h6 15.Na4 Ne4 16.Bd2 Qe7 17.Be1** -0.03/19
[17.Nf4± 0.38/18]
17...Rac8 0.60/21
[Black should play 17...g5= -0.03/19]
18.Nf4!± b5 19.Nc3 Rfd8 20.Nxe6 -0.01/24
[20.Nxb5 Bxb2 21.Rc2 Be5=]
[White should try 20.Qd3± 0.71/20]
20...Qxe6= 21.e3 Nxc3 0.35/22
[21...Bxc3= -0.01/22 is more appropriate. 22.Bxc3 b4]
22.Bxc3± Bb6 23.Qb3 d4 24.Qxe6 fxe6 25.exd4 Nxd4 26.Rce1 Prevents Nd4-e2+ **26...b4 27.Bxd4 Rxd4N**
[27...Bxd4 28.Re2 e5 29.b3 ½-½ Genc,U-Sierra Vallina,L 1 Cappelle la Grande 1995]
28.Re2 e5 29.b3 Weighted Error Value: White=0.16 (very precise) /Black=0.20 (precise)
[Don't play 29.Rxe5 Rd2∓]
½-½

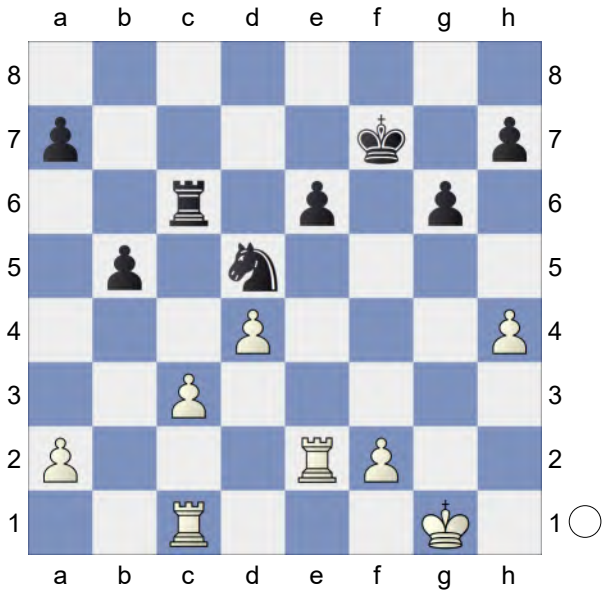
D80

□ **Levenfish,Grigory**
■ **Alatortsev,Vladimir**
Moscow (6) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D80: Grünfeld: Unusual White 4th moves and 4 Bg5 **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Bg5 Ne4 5.Bf4 Nxc3 6.bxc3 Bg7 7.e3 0-0 8.Nf3 c5 9.Be2 Qa5 10.Qd2 dxc4 11.Bxc4 Nc6** The position is equal. **12.Rb1 b6 13.0-0 cxd4 14.exd4 Ba6 15.Bxa6N Qxa6 16.Bh6 Qa5** 1.23/22
[16...Rad8= -0.01/20 remains equal.]
17.Rfe1 -0.01/20
[17.d5± 1.23/22 Rad8 *(17...Bxc3? 18.Qe3+-; 17...Bxh6? 18.Qxh6 f6 19.dxc6+-)* 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Qb2]
17...Rfd8= 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Re4 e6 20.Rbe1 -0.39/20
[20.Qb2= 0.01/20 feels stronger.]
20...Rac8∓ With the idea ...Nc6-e7.
21.Ng5 -0.52/21
[21.Rf4= -0.14/19]
21...Rd5 -0.01/22
[21...e5∓ -0.52/21 22.Nf3 exd4 23.Nxd4 Rd5]
22.Nxf7= Deflection **22...Kxf7 23.Qh6! Rh5**
[23...Qxa2 24.Qxh7+ *(24.Rxe6 Rh5∓)* 24...Kf8 25.Rxe6 *(25.Qh8+ Kf7 26.Qh7+* Deflection *Kf8 27.Rxe6 Qxf2+* Decoy *28.Kxf2 Rf5+ 29.Kg1 Ne5 30.dxe5 Rxc3 31.Re7 Rh5 32.Qg7#; 25.Qh8+ Kf7 26.Qh7+* Deflection *Kf8 27.Rxe6 Qxf2+* Decoy *28.Kxf2 Rf5+ 29.Kg1 Ne5 30.dxe5 Rxc3 31.Qe7+ Kg8 32.Rxg6+ Kh8 33.Qg7#)*]
24.Qf4+ Qf5? 2.30/22
[24...Kg7= -0.06/25 and Black has nothing to worry. 25.Qd6 *(25.Rxe6?* perishes. *Rf5-+)* 25...Qd5 *(25...Qxc3?* is the wrong capture. *26.Qd7+ Kh6 27.Qxc8+-)*]

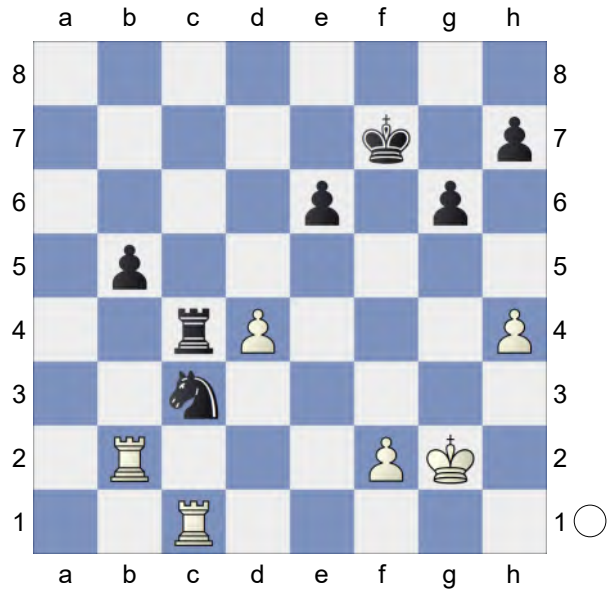


25.g4!+- Pin, Double Attack **25...Rg5** Threatens to win with ...Qf5xf4. **26.h4 Rxg4+ 27.Qxg4 Qxg4+ 28.Rxg4** Endgame. KRR-KRN **28...Ne7 29.Rge4 Rc6 30.R4e2 Nd5 31.Rc1** 1.32/23
[31.c4+- 2.70/23 is more deadly. Nc7 32.d5]
31...b5±



32.a4? -0.01/24 **a6?** 1.81/23

[32...b4= -0.01/24]
33.axb5+- axb5 34.Rb2 Nxc3 1.86/26
[34...Kf6± 1.22/27 35.Kf1 *(35.Rxb5 Nxc3 36.Kg2 Nxb5±)* 35...Rxc3 36.Rxc3 Nxc3]
35.Kg2 And now Rb2-b3 would win.
35...Rc4 2.56/23
[⌓35...Rc7 1.72/26 36.Rb3 Nd5]



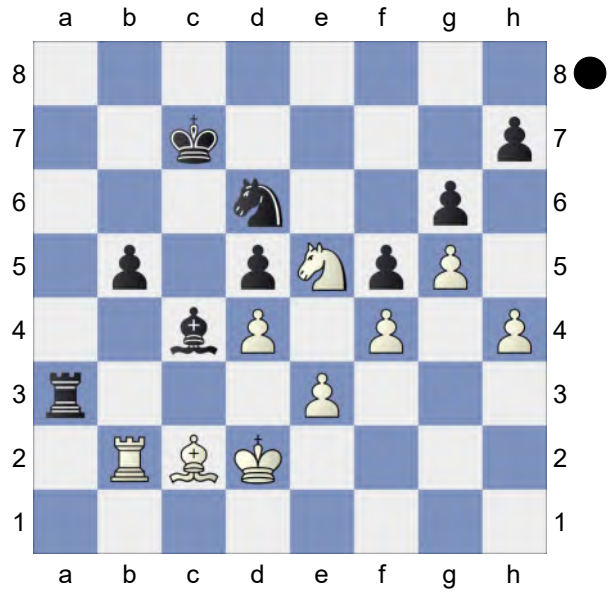
36.Rxb5!! Remove Defender **36...Nxb5 37.Rxc4 Kf6 38.Kf3 Nd6 39.Rc6 Nf5 40.Ke4 Ne7** Weighted Error Value: White=0.34/Black=0.44
1-0

D31

□ **Lilienthal,Andor**
■ **Bohatirchuk,Fedor Parfenovich**
Moscow (6) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D63: Queen's Gambit Declined: Classical: 7 Rc1 **1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 a6 4.cxd5 exd5 5.Qb3 c6 6.Nf3 Nf6 7.Bg5 Be7 8.e3 Nbd7 9.Rc1N**
[9.Bd3 0-0 *(9...h6 10.Bf4 Nh5 11.0-0 0-0 12.Be5 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 Nf6 14.Rac1 Bd6 15.f4 c5 16.Nxd5 Bxe5 17.dxe5 Nxd5 18.Be4 Ne7 19.f5 Qc7 20.f6 Qxe5 21.fxe7 Qxe7 22.Bd5 Be6 23.Qxb7 Qg5 24.e4* 0-1 Naumovich,Y (2163)-Zarubitski,V (2458) BLR-ch Minsk 2023 (5)*)* 10.0-0 Ne4 11.Bf4 Ndf6 12.Rac1 Bd6 13.Bxd6 Qxd6 14.Bxe4 Nxe4 15.Nxe4 dxe4 16.Ne5 Qe7 17.a4 Be6 18.Qc2 f6 19.Nc4 Qb4 20.a5 Rad8 21.Qd2 Qb5 22.Na3 Qg5 23.b4 Bh3 0-1 Bogoljubow,E-Rubinstein,A Estocolmo/Goteborg match 1920 (1) 24.f4 exf3 25.Rxf3 Be6 26.Rg3 Qd5 27.Nc4 Rfe8 28.Nb6 Qd6 29.Na4 Re7 30.Nc5 Rde8 31.Rf1 Bf7 32.Rf4 Kh8 33.Qf2 Bg8 34.h4 h6 35.Rgf3 Bh7 36.g4 Bg6 37.Rg3 Qd5 38.g5 fxg5 0-1 Vaibhav,J-6. ♗c4 ♘b6 7.♗b3 d5 8. ed 66/(152) Irland 1996 (1)]
9...0-0 10.Bd3 Re8 11.0-0 Nf8 12.Ne5
[12.Na4 simplifies N8d7 13.Qc2 h6 14.Bh4]
12...Ng4 13.Bxe7 Qxe7 14.Nxg4 Bxg4 15.Rfe1 Rad8 16.Ne2 Bc8 17.Qc3 g6 18.b4 Ne6 19.a4 Bd7 20.Qb2 Qd6 21.Ng3 Ng5 22.Qd2 f5 0.69/19
[22...Qf6= 0.01/17]
23.f4 0.01/21
[23.b5± 0.69/19]
23...Nf7= 24.Nf1 Re7 25.Qb2 Rde8 26.b5 axb5 27.axb5 Ra8 28.bxc6 Bxc6 29.Ra1 Ree8 30.Nd2 Rxa1 31.Qxa1 Qb4 32.Nf3 Qb3 33.Qb1 Qxb1 34.Bxb1 Ra8 35.Kf2 Bb5 36.Rc1 -0.71/23
[36.h3= -0.23/21 is more appropriate.]
36...Bc4!∓ 37.Rc2 Nd6 38.Rb2 b5 39.Ke1 Ra3 40.Kd2 -1.45/22

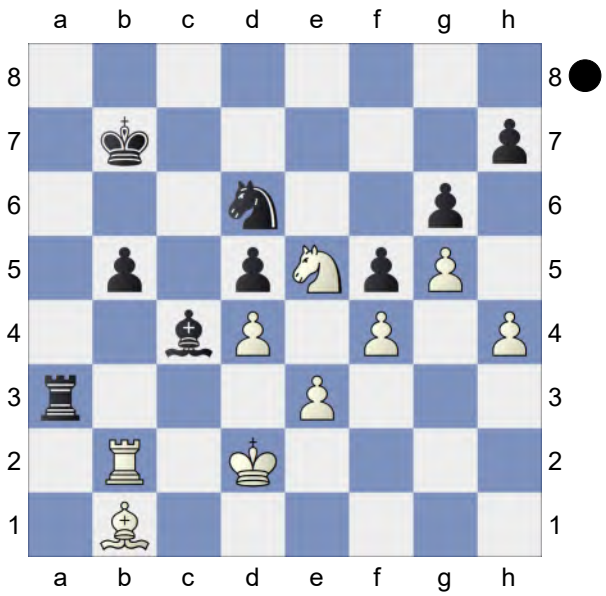
[⌓40.Kf2 -0.90/22]
40...Kf8 -1.00/22
[⌓40...Bb3 -1.45/22 ...Nd6-c4+ is the strong threat. 41.Ne5 Nc4+ 42.Nxc4 dxc4]
41.Ne5 Ke7 42.h3 Kd8 43.g4 Kc7 44.g5 -1.36/23
[⌓44.gxf5 -0.84/21 gxf5 45.Bc2]
44...Kb6 45.h4 Kc7 46.Bc2



Kb7 0.01/22
[Better is 46...Ba2!∓ -1.03/23 47.Kc1 Kb7]
47.Bb1 -1.41/24
[47.h5!= 0.01/22 gxh5 48.Bxf5]

(Diagram)

47...Ka6! 48.Nc6 Kb6 -0.01/23
[48...Ra1∓ -1.06/22 Black wants to play ...Ka6-b6. 49.Ne5 Ka5]
49.Nb4? -1.70/24
[49.Ne5= -0.01/23]
49...Ne4+ -0.71/22
[49...Bb3-+ -1.70/24 has better winning chances. White must now prevent ...Kb6-a5. 50.Kc1 Bc4]
50.Bxe4 dxe4 Endgame. KRB-KRN



51.Rb1 Kc7 52.Rb2 Kd6 53.Rb1 Kd7 54.Rb2 Ra1 55.Nc2 Ra4 -0.01/29
[55...Rh1∓ -0.75/23 Threatening ... Rh1-h2+. 56.Na3 Bd3 *(56...Rxh4 57.Nxc4 bxc4 58.Kc3=)*]
56.Kc3= The position is equal. **56...Kc7 57.Rb4 Ra8 58.Rb1! Kb6 59.Ra1 Rc8** aiming for ...Bc4-d3+. **60.Nb4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.22 (precise) /Black=0.18 (very precise)
½-½

A30

□ **Menchik,Vera**
■ **Lisitsin,Georgy**
Moscow (6) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A30: Symmetrical English: Double Fianchetto and Hedgehog Nona's opponent is a rising 24-year-old who would go on to become a legendary grandmaster. An original player who liked uncommon openings and creative play, Oleg Romanishin won many prestigious tournaments dating back to the 1970s. You may recognize his name

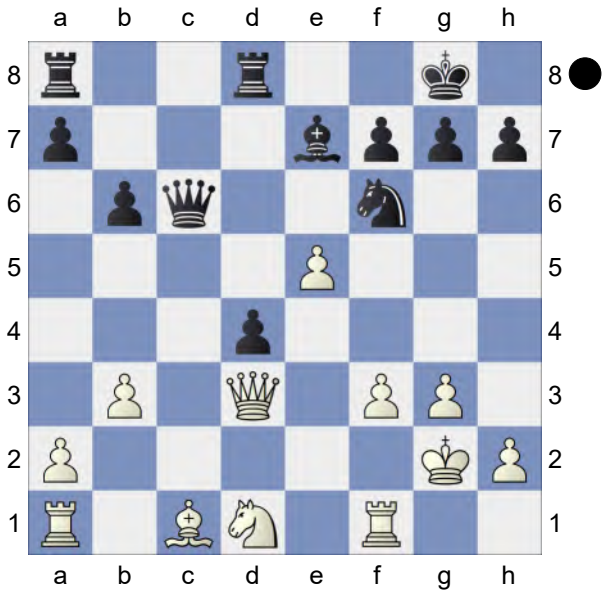
from the Kasparov-Romanishin variation in the Nimzo-Indian and other lines. Romanishin and Nona's battle is a clash of titans. **1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.g3 b6**
[3...a6 4.Bg2 b5 5.b3 Bb7 6.0-0 Be7 7.Bb2 0-0 8.Nc3 b4 9.Na4 d6 10.d4 Be4 11.a3 a5 12.Ne1 Bxg2 13.Kxg2 d5 14.Qc2 bxa3 15.Bxa3 Bxa3 16.Rxa3 Nc6 17.e3 e5 18.dxe5 Espig,L (2429)-Van Wely,L (2654) Deutschland 91/(25) 2003]
4.Bg2 Bb7 5.0-0 c5 6.Nc3N
[6.b3 Be7 7.Bb2 0-0 8.Nc3 d5 9.Rc1 d4 10.Na4 Nbd7 11.d3 Qc7 12.e3 e5 13.exd4 exd4 14.Rb1 Bd6 15.Bc1 Rab8 16.Bd2 Rfe8 17.Re1 Rxe1+ 18.Bxe1 Re8 19.h3 Bc6 20.Bd2 Qb7 0-1 6) Nona The Fifth-Romanishin,O Queens of the Chess Board 2023]
6...Be7 7.d4 cxd4 8.Nxd4 Bxg2 9.Kxg2 Qc8 10.Qd3 0-0 11.e4 Nc6 12.Nxc6 Qxc6 13.f3 Rfd8 14.b3 -0.22/22
[⌓14.Rd1 0.30/21]
14...d5!= 15.cxd5 Black is slightly better. **15...exd5 16.e5 d4 17.Nd1** -1.33/21
[17.Ne2= -0.29/22 Nd7 18.Nxd4 *(18.Qxd4? Nxe5 19.Qe4 Qxe4∓)*]

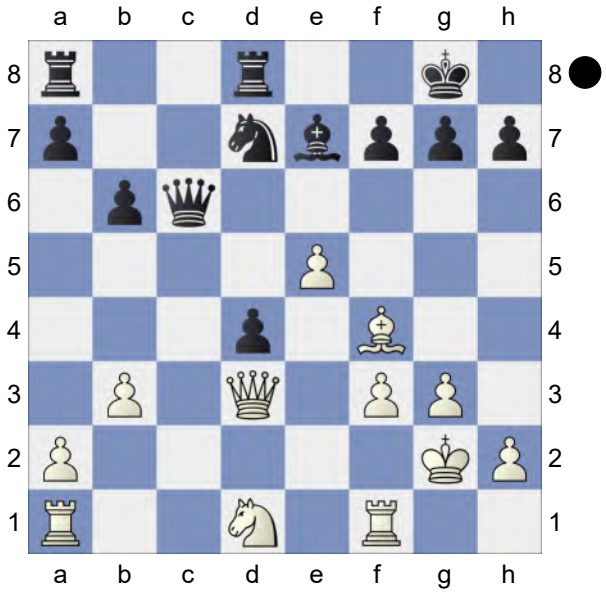
(Diagram)

17...Nd7!↑ Black is in control. **18.Bf4** -1.83/21
[18.Re1∓ -1.38/21 might work better.]

(Diagram)

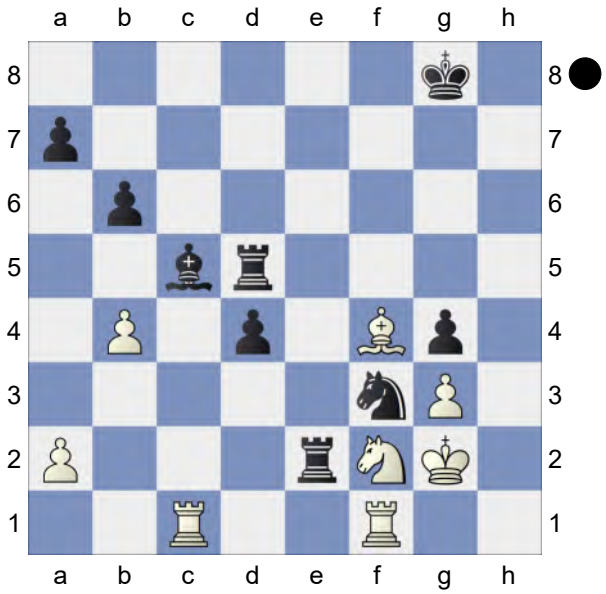
18...g5!-+ 19.Rc1 -2.09/23





[19.Bd2∓ -1.39/20]
19...Qe6 20.Bd2 Nxe5 21.Qe4 -3.22/21
[⌓21.Qe2 -2.10/19]
21...f5 22.Qe2 Qd5 23.Kg1 Bc5 Threatens to win with ...d4-d3+. **24.Qg2 g4 25.fxg4 fxg4**
[25...Nxg4 26.b4 Bf8 27.h3=]
26.Qxd5+ Rxd5 27.Kg2 -4.95/22
[⌓27.b4 -3.14/21 Bd6 28.Kg2]
27...Nf3 28.Bf4 Re8 29.h3 h5 30.hxg4 hxg4 31.Nf2 Re2 aiming for ... d4-d3! **32.b4**

(Diagram)



Rh5! Black took control after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.47/ Black=0.15 (very precise)
0-1

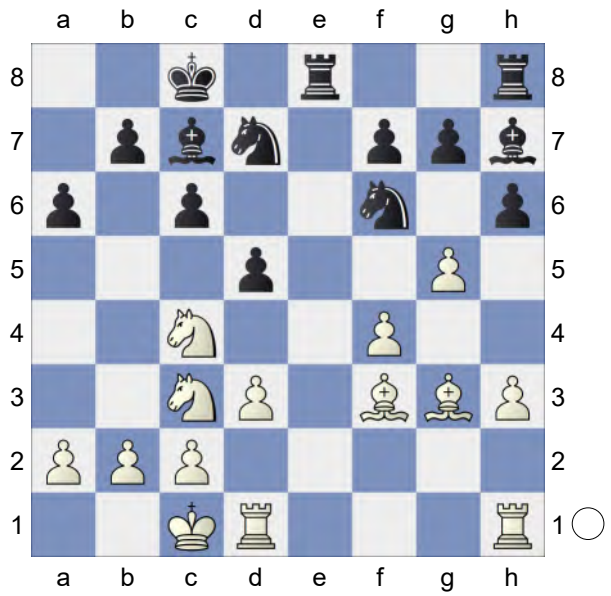
C42

□ **Rabinovich,Ilya Leontievich**
■ **Kan,Ilia Abramovich**
Moscow (6) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

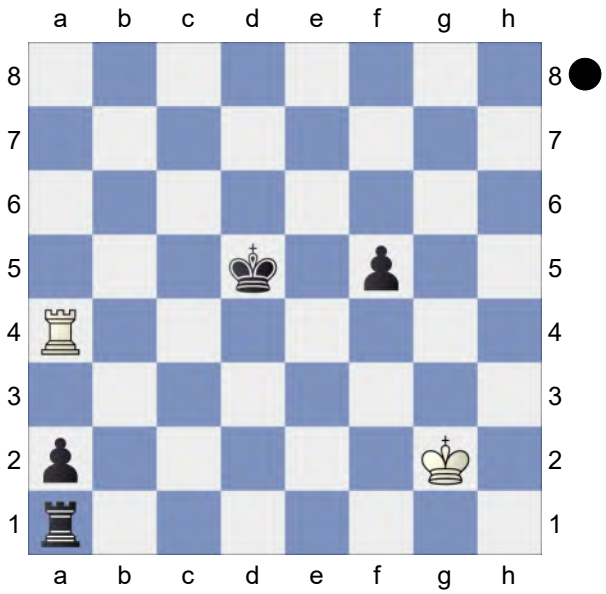
C42: Petroff Defence: 3 Nxe5 and unusual White 3rd moves **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Nxe5 d6 4.Nf3 Nxe4 5.Qe2 Qe7 6.d3 Nf6 7.Bg5 Qxe2+ 8.Bxe2 Be7 9.Nc3 Bg4N** 0.48/20
[9...h6= 0.09/19 10.Bd2 a6]
[9...c6 10.0-0-0 Na6 *(10...h6 11.Bd2 Na6 12.h3 Bd7 13.g4 0-0-0 14.Rde1 Rde8 15.g5 hxg5 16.Nxg5 Rhf8 17.Bf4 Nc5 18.Rhg1 g6 19.h4 Ne6 20.Bg3 Ng7 21.Nce4 Nf5 22.Nxf6 Bxf6 23.Nh7 Nxg3 24.fxg3 Bd4 25.Nxf8* 0-1 Kavalek,L (2598)-4.c3 ♘f6 5.e5/6...f5 (2699) Play the Power Pirc 2023 (1.3); *10...Be6 11.Rhe1 Nbd7 12.Bf1 0-0 13.d4 d5 14.Ne5 Bd6 15.h4 h6 16.Bd2 Bxe5 17.dxe5 Ng4 18.Kb1 Nxf2 19.Rc1 b5 20.Bf4 Ng4 21.Bd3 a5 22.h5 Rfe8 23.a4 b4 24.Nd1 Nc5 25.b3* 1-0 Toncheva,N (2301)-Hernandez Bermudez,U (2042) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Late Chess.com INT blitz 2024 (1)*)* 11.Rhe1 *(11.Nd4 Nc7 12.Rde1 Ne6 13.Nxe6 Bxe6 14.f4 d5 15.Bf3 Kd8 16.Ne2 Re8 17.Ng3 g6 18.Ne2 Bd7 19.c4 dxc4 20.dxc4 Ng8 21.Nc3 f6 22.Bh4 Bd6 23.Rxe8+ Kxe8 24.Ne2 Be6 25.b3 Bf5* 2 Chapter-Games Chapter 11 Game *)* 11...Nc7 12.Ne4 Nxe4 13.dxe4 Bxg5+ 14.Nxg5 f6 15.Nf3 Ke7 16.Nd4 Be6 17.h4 Rad8 18.h5 h6 19.b3 Rhe8 20.Bc4 Bc8 21.f3 Kf8 22.g4 d5 23.exd5 Rxe1 24.Rxe1 7 Chapter-Games Chapter 94 Game]
10.0-0-0± Nbd7 11.h3 Bh5 0.98/20
[11...Be6± 0.59/19 should be considered.]
12.g4± White is better. **12...Bg6 13.Nd4 0-0-0 14.f4 h6 15.Bh4 Rde8 16.Bf3 Bd8 17.Bg3 a6 18.Nb3 Bh7 19.Na5** 0.35/22
[19.Nd2± 0.71/19]
19...c6 20.Nc4 Bc7 21.g5 -0.45/24
[21.f5± 0.77/21]
21...d5∓
[21...hxg5 22.fxg5 d5 23.Nd6+ *(23.Bxc7 Kxc7 24.gxf6 dxc4±)* 23...Bxd6 24.Bxd6=]

(Diagram)

Threatens to win with ...h6xg5. **22.gxf6 dxc4 23.fxg7 Rhg8 24.dxc4**
[24.Rde1 Rxe1+ 25.Rxe1 cxd3-+]
24...Rxg7 25.Bh2 Bf5 Prevents Bf3-g4.



26.Rhe1 -0.81/25
[26.Rhg1= -0.27/24 Rxg1 27.Rxg1]
26...Nf6 27.Rxe8+ Nxe8 28.h4 -0.86/25
[28.Na4∓ -0.39/24]
28...Bg4∓ 29.Re1 Bxf3 30.Rxe8+ Kd7 31.Re3 Rg2! 32.Rxf3 Rxh2 Endgame. KRB-KRN **33.Ne4 Rxh4 34.Nc5+ Kc8 35.Nd3 h5 36.Kd2 Rh2+ 37.Ke3** -1.46/22
[⌓37.Kc3 -0.81/22]
37...h4 -0.31/23 Black has more active pieces.
[37...Rxc2∓ -1.46/22 White must now prevent ...Bc7-b6+. 38.Rh3 Rxc4 39.Rxh5 Kd7]
38.c3 -0.76/21
[38.Rf2!∓ -0.31/23 feels stronger. Rh3+ *(38...Bb6+ 39.c5±)* 39.Ke4]
38...Kd7 aiming for ...Kd7-e6. White is on the road to losing. **39.Nc5+** -2.00/23
[39.Ke4∓ -0.92/23 was worth a try.]
39...Ke7-+ 40.b4 -2.78/24
[40.Ne4 -1.87/23 was necessary.]
40...Bb6
[Not 40...Rxa2 41.Nxb7 a5 42.bxa5∓]
41.Ke4 Bxc5
[Worse is 41...Rxa2 42.Nxb7 a5 43.bxa5 Bxa5 44.Rh3=]
42.bxc5 KR-KR **42...Kf6**
[42...Rxa2? 43.Rh3-+]
43.Rd3 h3 ...Rh2-e2+ would now be deadly. **44.a3 Re2+ 45.Kf3?** -4.96/25
[45.Kd4 -2.16/26 Rh2 *(45...h2? 46.Rh3-+)* 46.Ke3]
45...h2 Black is clearly winning. **46.Rd1** Inhibits Re2-e1. **46...Rc2 47.Kg3 Kf5 48.Re1 f6 49.Kf3 Rxc3+ 50.Kg2 Rxc4 51.Rb1 Rxc5 52.Rxb7 Kxf4 53.Kxh2 f5 54.Kg2 Rc3 55.Rb4+ Ke3 56.Kg3 Rxa3 57.Rc4 a5 58.Rxc6 Ke4+ 59.Kf2 Ra2+ 60.Kf1** -13.21/27
[⌓60.Kg3 -4.28/26 a4 *(60...f4+? 61.Kg4-+)* 61.Rc4+ Kd5 62.Rc8]
60...a4 And now ...f5-f4 would win.
61.Rc4+ Kd5 62.Rb4 a3 (→ ...Ra2-b2) **63.Ra4 Ra1+ 64.Kf2 a2 65.Kg2**



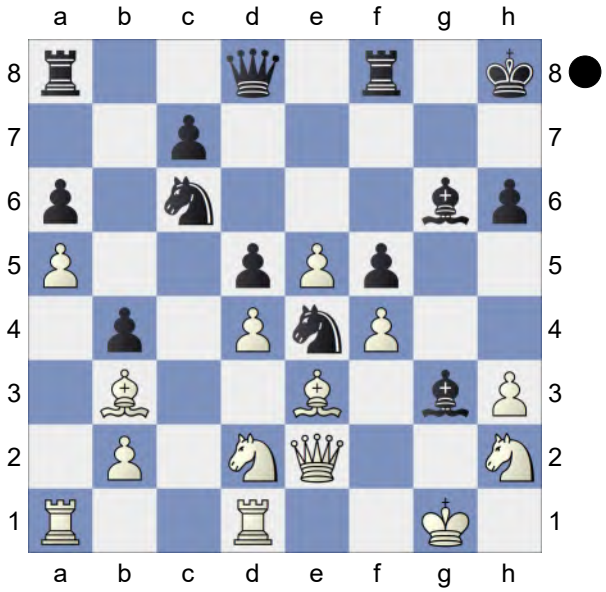
Wards off Ra1-h1 **65...f4!** Weighted Error Value: White=0.32/Black=0.21 (precise)
0-1

C86

□ **Riumin,Nikolay Nikolaevich**
■ **Botvinnik,Mikhail**
Moscow (6) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

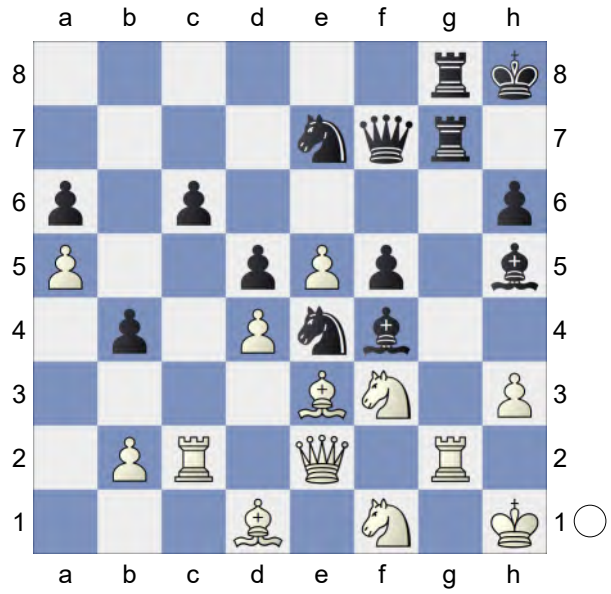
C86: Closed Ruy Lopez: Worrall Attack
The match had been very tense. Many people including me expected Magnus to be a clear favourite, but Sergey and his team prepared excellently. The tie-break was eagerly awaited by the chess world.

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 Be7 6.Qe2
[6.d3 b5 7.Bb3 d6 8.a3 0-0 9.Nc3 Nb8 *(9...Na5 10.Ba2 c5 11.Bg5 Be6 12.Bxf6 Bxf6 13.Nd5 Nc6 14.c3 g6 15.a4 Bg7 16.Ne3 Bd7 17.Bd5 Qc7 18.Qb3 Rab8 19.axb5 axb5 20.Ra6 Ne7 21.Rfa1 Nc8 22.h3 h6 23.Nh4 Ne7 24.Ra7* 1-0 Jiang,L (2352)-Wongso,S (2069) Las Vegas 1000 GM op 2023 (1)*)* 10.Ne2 c5 11.Ng3 Nc6 12.c3 Rb8 13.h3 a5 14.a4 b4 15.Re1 Be6 16.Bc4 h6 17.Be3 Qc8 18.Qe2 Rd8 19.Bxe6 fxe6 20.d4 bxc3 ½-½ Karjakin,S (2772)-Carlsen,M (2853) World-ch Carlsen-Karjakin Tiebreak New York rapid 2016 (1)]
6...b5 7.Bb3 d6N
[7...0-0 8.h3 Bb7 9.c3 d5 10.d3 d4 11.cxd4 exd4 12.Bd2 b4 13.a3 Na5 14.Ba4 c5 15.axb4 cxb4 16.Ne5 Bd6 17.f4 Qb6 18.Qe1 Bc8 19.Na3 Be7 20.Nc2 Rb8 21.g4 Rd8 22.g5 1-0 Friedrich,G-Ruester,O Dyckhoff Memorial 4/M corr 1954]
8.c3 0-0 9.d4 Bg4 10.Rd1 exd4 11.cxd4 d5 12.e5 Ne4 13.h3 Bh5 14.a4 b4 15.a5! The position is equal.
15...Kh8! 16.g4 Bg6 17.Nh2? -2.05/20
[White should play 17.Be3∓ -0.38/19]
17...Bh4 18.Be3 f5 -0.62/19
[18...f6-+ -1.99/20 19.e6 f5]
19.f4∓ Bg3 0.18/20
[Better is 19...Ng3∓ -0.58/19 20.Qe1 fxg4 21.hxg4 Bxb1]
20.g5 -0.22/21
[⌓20.Nd2 0.18/20]
20...h6= 21.gxh6 -1.94/21
[21.h4!= 0.01/19]
21...gxh6-+ ...Rf8-g8 would now be deadly. **22.Nd2**



Ne7? 0.23/21
[22...Rg8!-+ -1.86/19 aiming for ...Bg6-h5! 23.Nxe4 fxe4]
23.Kh1= Threatens to win with Rd1-g1.
23...Qe8 ...Bg6-h5 is the strong threat.
24.Rg1 Black must now prevent Nd2xe4.
24...Bh5 25.Nhf3 Rg8 26.Nf1 -1.00/22
[26.Qf1!= -0.01/19]
26...Qf7∓ 27.Bd1 -1.43/20
[⌓27.Rc1 -0.93/20]
27...Rg7 -0.83/20 Black is much more active.
[⌓27...c5 -1.43/20 Strongly threatening ...c5-c4. 28.dxc5 d4 29.Bxd4 Qe6]
28.Rc1 -3.78/20
[28.N1d2∓ -0.83/20]

28...c6? -1.16/21
[28...Rag8-+ -3.78/20 and Black stays clearly on top. 29.e6 *(29.Rxc7? Bxf4-+)* 29...Qxe6 30.Rxc7 Bxf4 31.Rxg7 Bxc7 32.Rxg8+ Kxg8]
29.Rc2? -4.19/22
[29.N1d2∓ -1.16/21]
29...Rag8-+ 30.Rg2 Bxf4



Discovered Attack **31.Qxa6** -7.75/22
[31.Rxg7? Qxg7 32.Qg2 *(32.Bxf4 Bxf3+* Remove Defender*)* 32...Bxe3 33.Qxg7+ Rxg7-+]
[⌓31.e6 -4.16/21 Qf6 *(31...Qxe6 32.Rxg7 Rxg7 33.Bxf4∓; 31...Bxf3? 32.exf7 Bxe2 33.fxg8Q+ Kxg8 34.Rxg7+ Kxg7 35.Rxe2+-)* 32.Bxf4 *(32.Qxa6? b3-+; 32.Rxg7? Qxg7 33.Qg2 Qf6-+)* 32...Rxg2 33.Be5 Qxe5 34.dxe5 Rxe2 35.Bxe2]
31...Rxg2 32.Rxg2 Rxg2 33.Kxg2 Qg6+ 34.Kh1 Bxe3 Remove Defender
35.Nxe3 Nf2+ -3.08/5
[⌓35...Qg3 -7.65/24 36.Ng2 Bxf3 37.Bxf3 Nf2+ *(37...Qxf3? 38.Qb6-+; 37...Qxh3+? 38.Kg1-+)* 38.Kg1 Nxh3+ *(38...Qxf3? 39.e6-+)* 39.Kh1 Qxf3 40.Qa8+ Ng8 41.Qxc6 Nf4 42.Qc2 Ne2 43.Qxe2 Qxe2 44.a6 Qxa6 45.Kh2 Qa2 46.Nh4 Qxb2+ 47.Kg3 Qe2 *(47...Qxd4* is a self mate. *48.Ng6+ Kg7 49.Nh4 Qxe5+ 50.Kh3 Nf6 51.Kg2 Qe2+ 52.Kh3 Qf1+ 53.Ng2 Ng4 54.Kh4 Qxg2 55.Kh5 Qh3#)* 48.Nxf5 b3 49.Nh4 Qd3+ 50.Kf4 b2 *(50...Qxd4+* gets mated. *51.Kg3 Qd3+ 52.Nf3 b2 53.Kf4 b1Q 54.Kg4 Qh1 55.Nh4 Qhh3+ 56.Kh5 Qdf5#)* 51.e6 b1Q *(51...b1B* leads to mate. *52.Nf3 Qe4+ 53.Kg3 Qe3 54.e7 Nxe7 55.Kg4 Be4 56.Nh4 h5+* Deflection *57.Kxh5 Qf4 58.Ng6+ Bxg6#)* 52.Ng6+ Qxg6 53.Ke5 Qgf5+ 54.Kd6 Qb6+ 55.Kd7 Qfxe6#]
36.Kh2 Hoping for Qa6-a8+. **36...Nxd1**
Weighted Error Value: White=0.97/ Black=0.89
0-1

A06
□ **Romanovsky,Peter Arsenievich**
■ **Goglidze,Victor Arsentievich**
Moscow (6) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A13: English Opening: 1...e6 **1.Nf3 d5 2.b3 Nf6 3.Bb2 e6 4.c4**
[4.e3 Be7 5.Be2 0-0 6.0-0 Ne4 *(6...b6 7.d4 Bb7 8.Nbd2 Nbd7 9.c4 dxc4 10.bxc4 c5* Beginner Guide Sarin Queen'-Sarin Queen'S Gambit Nimzo,L 1... e6 Against Everything 2024 *)* 7.d3 Bf6 8.Ne5 Nd7 9.f4 Nd6 10.Rf3 Nf5 11.Nd2 Nh4 12.Rh3 Bxe5 13.fxe5 c5 14.d4 a6 15.Bd3 g6 16.Qg4 Nf5 17.Rf1 h5 18.Qf4 Ng7 1-0 Doettling,F (2540)-Kovacevic, B (2461) Mitropa Cup 21st Leipzig 2002 (1.3)]
4...Be7N

[4...c6 5.e3 Nbd7 6.d4 Bd6 7.Bd3 0-0 8.0-0 b6 9.Nbd2 Bb7 10.Ne5 c5 11.f4 cxd4 12.exd4 Ne4 13.Ndf3 f6 14.Nxd7 Qxd7 15.Nd2 f5 16.Qe2 Kh8 17.Qe3 a5 18.Nf3 a4 19.Ne5 0-1 Gregory,V (2422)-Silbering (2477) EU-chT (Men) 15th Gothenburg 2005 (13) Qe7 20.Bc2 a3 21.Bc3 Rac8 22.Bxe4 fxe4 23.Qd2 Ba6 24.Rae1 Rf6 25.Rf2 Rcf8 26.Ng4 Rxf4 27.Rxf4 Bxf4 28.Qe2 Qg5 29.Rf1 h5 30.g3 hxg4 31.Rxf4 Rxf4 32.gxf4 Qxf4 33.Bd2 Qf6 34.Qf2 0-1 Kozak,A (2422)-Klekowski,M (2477) EU-ch Blitz Katowice 2022 (13)]

5.e3 0-0 6.Be2 c5 7.0-0 Nc6 8.d3 b6 -0.18/20

[8...d4∓ -0.83/21]

9.Nbd2 Bb7 -0.13/18

[9...d4∓ -0.49/21 10.exd4 cxd4]

10.Re1 -0.49/21

[10.a3= -0.13/18 was preferrable.]

10...Rc8 11.Nf1 -0.70/21

[11.a3= -0.14/19]

11...Rc7 -0.24/19

[11...d4∓ -0.70/21]

12.a3= dxc4 13.bxc4 Nd7 14.Ng3 Bf6 15.Bxf6 Nxf6 16.Qc2 Rd7 17.Red1 Qc7 18.Qb2 Rfd8 19.Rac1 Ng4 20.Ne1

[20.d4 feels hotter. Na5 21.Qc3 h6 22.h3]

20...Nf6 0.01/21

[20...f5∓ -0.53/19]

21.h3 -0.38/21

[21.Nf3= 0.01/21 is superior.]

21...Qe5 22.Qc2 Na5 23.Nf3 Bxf3 24.Bxf3 h6 25.Nf1 Nh7 26.Be2 f5 27.f4 Qf6 28.g3 -0.57/21

[28.Bf3= -0.14/20]

28...g5∓ 29.Kh2 -0.97/21

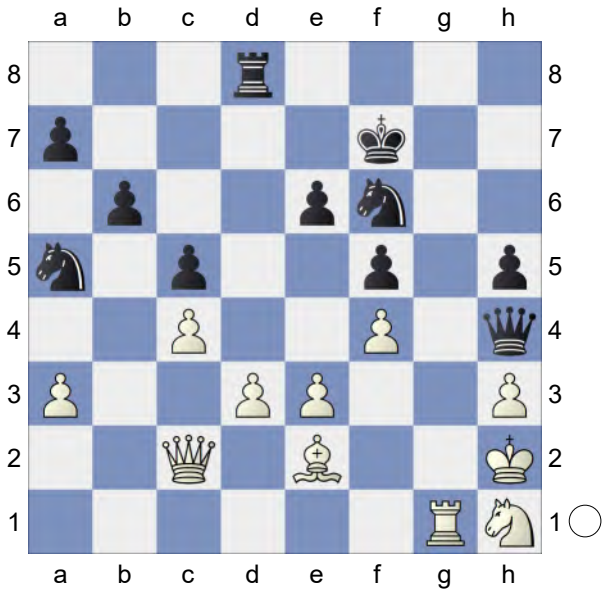
[White should play 29.Bf3∓ -0.46/20]

29...gxf4!∓ 30.gxf4 Rg7 0.01/24

[30...Qh4∓ -1.13/22 31.Bf3 Rg7]

31.Ng3!= Qh4 32.Rg1 Nf6 Inhibits Ng3-h5. **33.Nh1! h5↑** White should prevent ...Nf6-g4+. Black fights for an advantage. **34.Rxg7+ Kxg7 35.Rg1+ Kf7** 0.80/22

[35...Ng4+= -0.01/22 36.Bxg4 hxg4]



36.Qc3 -0.66/22

[White must play 36.Rg3!± 0.80/22]

36...Ng4+∓ 37.Bxg4 hxg4 38.Rg3 Qh8 -0.12/24

[38...Nc6∓ -0.59/23 39.Qc2 Ke7]

39.Qc2 -0.66/22

[39.Qxh8= -0.12/24 Rxh8 40.Nf2]

39...Qa1 -0.27/22

[39...Ke7∓ -0.66/22]

40.Nf2= Rh8 White must now prevent ... Qa1-f1!

[40...Qxa3 41.hxg4 Rh8+ 42.Kg2 fxg4 43.Qd1= *(43.Nxg4 Qa1=; 43.Rxg4 Nc6±)*]

41.Qa4 -0.75/25

[41.Kg2= -0.26/21 might be stronger.]

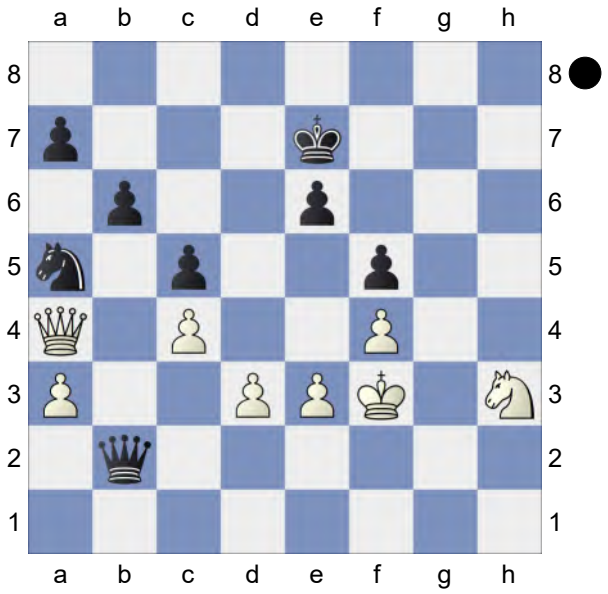
41...Ke7∓ And now ...Qa1-b2 would win.

42.Kg2 gxh3+ 43.Nxh3 Qb2+ 44.Nf2 Rh7 -0.25/24

[Better is 44...Rd8∓ -0.70/23 45.Kf3 Kd6]

45.Rg8= Some like it hot **45...Rg7+ 46.Rxg7+ Qxg7+∓** Endgame. KQN-KQN **47.Kf3 Qb2 48.Nh3?** -2.19/25

[48.Qb5!= -0.18/25 Nb3 *(48...Qxa3 49.Qa6=)* 49.Qc6]



48...Qd2? -0.45/24

[48...Qh2!-+ -2.19/25 49.Nf2 Qh5+ 50.Kg2 Qe2]

49.Nf2 Qb2 0.01/22

[49...Qc3∓ -0.42/26]

50.Qd1 -1.00/23

[50.Nh3!= 0.01/22]

50...Nb3 -0.01/22

[Black should try 50...Qxa3∓ -1.00/23 Hoping for ...Qa3-c3. 51.Qg1 Nc6]

51.Kg3= The position is equal.

51...Qxa3 52.Qh1 Qc1 Strongly threatening ...Qc1xh1. **53.Qh7+ Kd6 54.Qxa7 Qxe3+ 55.Kg2 Na5**

[55...Qxf4? too greedy. 56.Qb8+ *(56.Qxb6+ Kd7+-)* 56...Kc6 57.Qxf4+-]

56.Qb8+ Kd7 57.Qa7+ Kc6 58.Qb8 Weighted Error Value: White=0.27 (precise) /Black=0.29 (precise)

½-½

D52

□ **Spielmann,Rudolf**

■ **Pirc,Vasja**

Moscow (6) 1935

[Kitty Kat]

D52: Queen's Gambit Declined: Cambridge Springs Variation Short,N: 'Inf 73/508' **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3 e6 5.Bg5 Nbd7 6.e3 Qa5 7.cxd5**

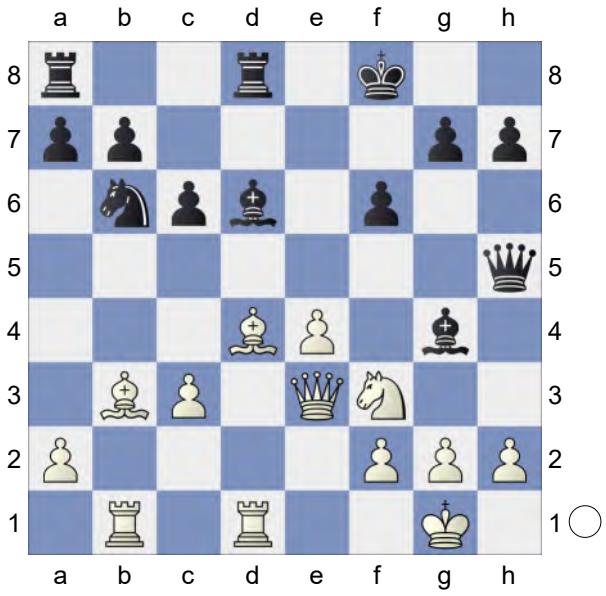
[7.Nd2 Bd6 8.Bh4 0-0 9.Bd3 e5 10.0-0 e4 11.Be2 Re8 12.cxd5 cxd5 13.Rc1 5) Semi-Slav: Cambridge Sprin-Cambridge Springs: 7...Bd6 #1 Lifetime Repertoires: Plichta's Queen's 2023]

7...Nxd5N

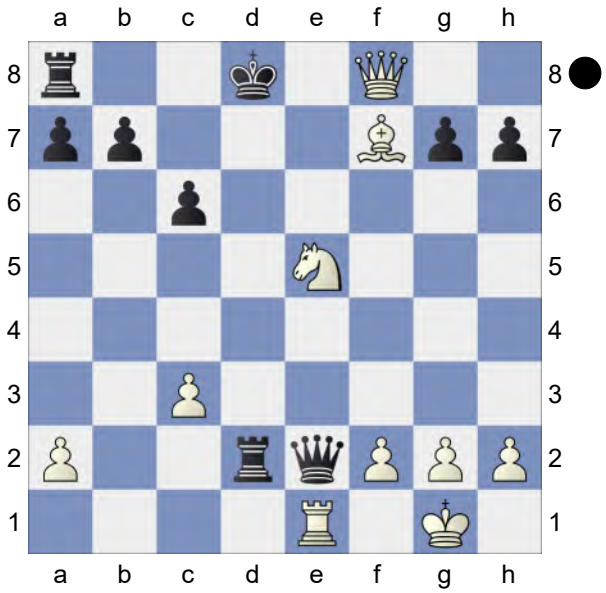
[7...exd5 8.Bd3 Bd6 9.Qc2 0-0 10.0-0 Re8 11.a3 h6 12.Bh4 Qd8 13.Rae1 Be7 14.Bg3 Nf8 15.h3 Be6 16.Ne5 N6d7 17.f4 Nb6 18.f5 Bd7 19.e4 dxe4 20.Rxe4 Bf6 21.Nxf7 Kxf7 22.Qb3+ 7 Part Chapter-Game Part 4 Chapter 5 Game Ne6 23.Rfe1 Nd5 24.Nxd5 cxd5 25.Qxd5 Bc6 26.fxe6+ Kg8 27.Qf5 Bxe4 28.Bxe4 Qxd4+ 29.Bf2 Qd6 30.Qh7+ Kf8 31.Bg6 Ke7 32.Bxe8 Rxe8 33.Qe4 Rc8 34.Qxb7+ Rc7 35.Qe4 Bxb2 36.Bh4+ g5 37.Qh7+ 1-0 Short,N (2660)-Andersson,U (2635) Keres Memorial Tallinn/Parnu 1998 (9) Kd8 38.Qg8+ Ke7 39.Bf2 Bc3 40.Qf7+ Kd8 41.Qg8+ Ke7 42.Re4 Bd2 43.g3 1 Chapter-Games Chapter 49 Game]

8.Qd2 Bb4 9.Rc1 0-0 10.e4 Nxc3 11.bxc3 Ba3 12.Rb1 The position is

equal. **12...e5** 0.37/19
[12...b6= 0.00/20 was preferrable.]
13.Bd3± Bd6 14.0-0 f6 0.83/19
[14...Re8± 0.45/17]
15.Be3± Rd8 16.Rfd1 White is more active. **16...Kf8 17.Bc4** 0.79/20
[⌓17.Qe2 1.27/18]
17...Nb6 18.Bb3 Threatens to win with d4xe5. **18...exd4 19.Bxd4**
[19.Nxd4?! c5±]
19...Bg4 20.Qe3 aiming for e4-e5.
20...Qh5 2.92/21
[20...Nd7± 1.40/18]



21.e5!+- fxe5 22.Bc5 Bxc5 5.39/24
[22...Nd5 2.42/23 was necessary. 23.Bxd5 *(23.Qxe5? Bxc5 24.Qxh5 Bxh5-+)* 23...cxd5]
23.Qxc5+ Ke8 24.Re1
[24.Qxe5+ Qxe5 25.Rxd8+ Rxd8=]
[24.Nxe5 Bxd1 25.Bf7+ Qxf7 26.Nxf7 Kxf7=]
24...Nd7 25.Rxe5+ Nxe5 5.37/22
[⌓25...Qxe5 3.81/23 26.Bf7+ Discovered Attack Kxf7 27.Nxe5+ Nxe5]
26.Nxe5 Be6 27.Re1
[27.Bxe6? Rd1+ 28.Rxd1 Qxd1#]
27...Rd2 9.40/23
[⌓27...Qf5 4.90/21 28.Bxe6 Qxe6]
28.Bxe6 White threatens Be6-g4 and mate. **28...Qe2 29.Bf7+**
[29.Rxe2? Rd1+]
29...Kd8 30.Qf8+
[30.Rxe2? Rd1+]

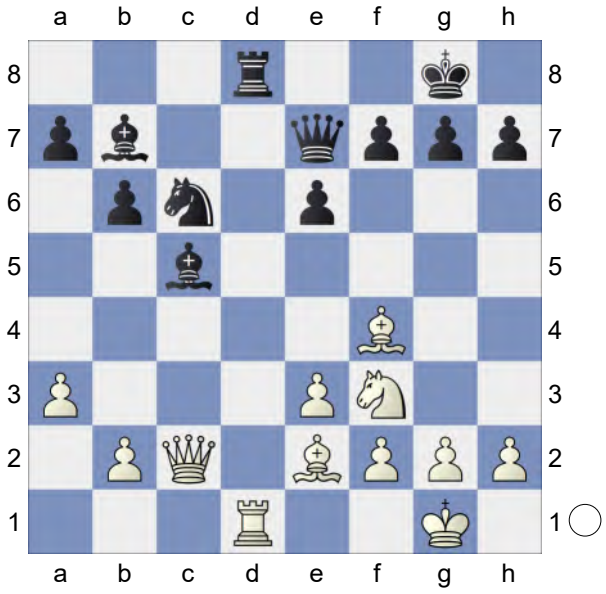


Skewer, Double Attack **30...Kc7**
31.Qe7+
[31.Qxa8? Qxe1#]
31...Kc8 32.Be6+ Discovered Attack
[32.Rxe2? Rd1+]
32...Kb8 33.Nd7+
[33.Rxe2? is a self mate. Rd1+]
33...Kc7 34.Nc5+ White took control after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.21 (precise) /Black=1.12
[34.Rxe2? gets mated. Rd1+]
1-0

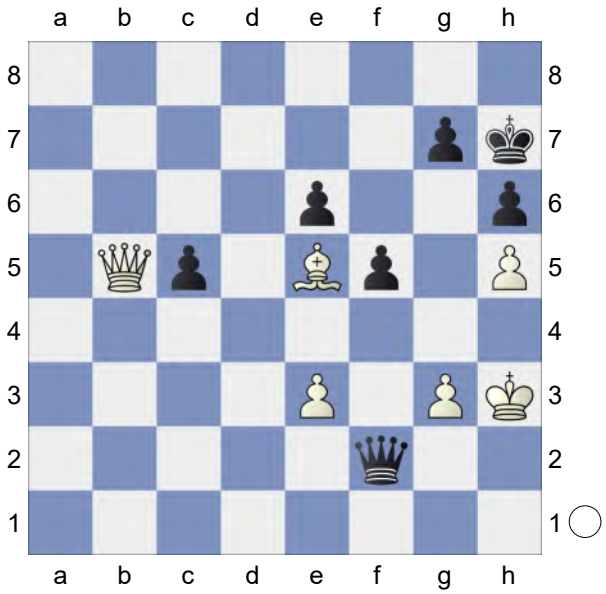
D37

□ **Stahlberg,Gideon**
■ **Chekhover,Vitaly**
Moscow (6) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D37: Queen's Gambit Declined: 5 Bf4
1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3 Be7 5.Bf4 0-0 6.e3 c5 7.dxc5 Bxc5 8.Be2 Qe7 0.53/18
[8...dxc4= 0.13/18 9.Qxd8 Rxd8]
9.cxd5± Rd8 10.0-0 Nxd5 White is slightly better. **11.Nxd5 Rxd5** 0.96/20
[11...exd5± 0.47/21 12.Bd3 Nc6]
12.Qb3 Nc6 13.Rad1 Rxd1 14.Rxd1 b6N 15.a3 White has more active pieces. **15...Bb7 16.Qc2** Nf3-g5 is the strong threat. **16...Rd8**



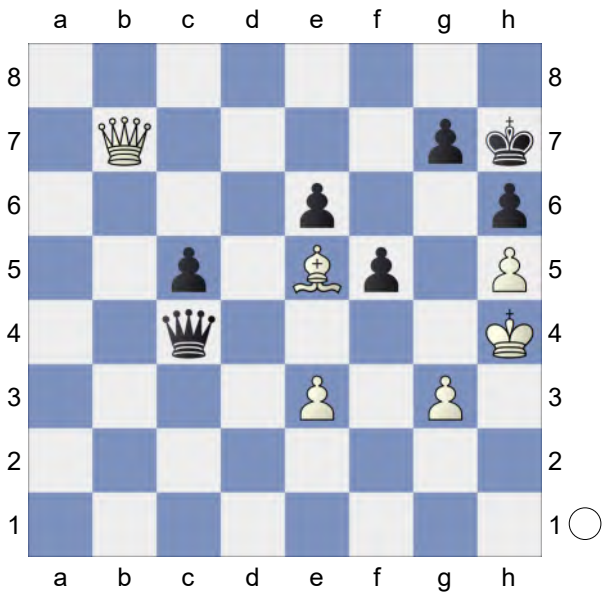
17.Ng5! Rxd1+ 18.Bxd1 f5 1.80/21
[18...g6± 1.34/21 was worth a try.]
19.Qd3 0.67/22
[19.Qa4+- 1.80/21]
19...Ne5! Deflection **20.Bxe5 Qxg5 21.g3** aiming for Bd1-b3. **21...Bd5 22.Bb3** 0.14/22
[22.Qa6± 0.66/20 Qe7 23.Qc8+ Qf8 24.Qc7]
22...Bxb3 0.50/24
[22...Qd8= 0.14/22]
23.Qxb3= Endgame. KQB-KQB
23...Qe7 24.Qd3 a5 25.Qb5 Qd8 26.h4 h6 27.b4
[27.Qc6 feels hotter. Kf7 28.h5 Qd1+ 29.Kg2]
27...axb4 28.axb4 Qd1+ 29.Kh2 Qe1 30.bxc5 Qxf2+ 31.Kh3 bxc5 7.33/24
A mistake that costs the game.
[31...Qf3± 0.84/24 32.Qb2 *(32.Qxb6? Qh1#)* 32...bxc5]
32.h5+- Intending Qb5-e8+ and mate.
32...Kh7



33.Qb7!
[Weaker is 33.Qxc5 Qf1+ 34.Kh2 Qf2+ 35.Kh1 Qe1+ 36.Kg2 Qe2+ 37.Kg1 Qd1+ 38.Kh2 Qe2+ 39.Kg1 Qe1+ 40.Kg2 Qe2+ 41.Kg1=]
33...Qf1+ 34.Kh4 Qc4+

(Diagram)

35.e4! Qxe4+ 36.Qxe4 fxe4 KB-KP
37.g4 g6 38.Kg3 gxh5 39.gxh5 White mates. **39...Kg8 40.Kf4 Kf7 41.Kxe4** KB-K3P **41...Ke7 42.Bb2 Kd6 43.Bc1 Ke7 44.Ke5 c4 45.Bxh6 c3 46.Bg5+ Kf7 47.Kd6** Weighted Error

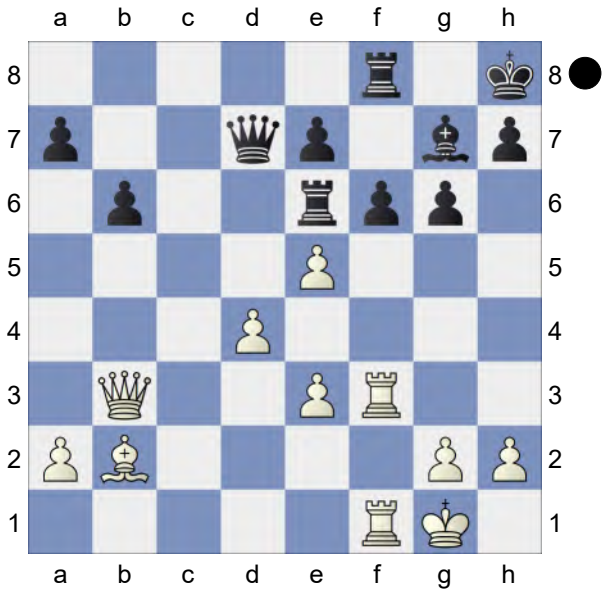


Value: White=0.11 (very precise) / Black=0.25 (precise)
1-0

A00

□ **Pirc,Vasja**
■ **Capablanca,Jose Raul**
Moscow (7) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A03: Bird's Opening with 1...d5 **1.e3 Nf6 2.f4 g6 3.c4 d5 4.Nc3 Bg7 5.Nf3 0-0 6.d4 c6** 0.01/19
[6...c5!∓ -0.54/18]
7.Be2 Bf5 8.0-0 Nbd7 0.39/17
[8...dxc4= -0.08/18 9.Ng5 b5]
9.Ne5 0.00/20
[9.Nd2± 0.39/17]
9...Nxe5 10.fxe5 Ne4 11.cxd5 cxd5 12.Qb3 Nxc3 -0.03/20
[12...Rc8!∓ -0.48/20]
13.bxc3= Qd7 14.c4 Be4 15.Bf3 -0.68/21
[15.a4= 0.04/17]
15...Bxf3 16.Rxf3 dxc4 17.Qxc4 Rac8 0.01/19
[17...b5∓ -0.53/22 18.Qb3 a5]
18.Qb3 Rc6 19.Ba3 Re6 20.Raf1 0.01/21
[20.Bb4± 0.37/20]
20...f6 0.50/22
[20...a5= 0.01/21]
21.Bc5± b6 22.Ba3 Kh8 23.Bb2



Threatens to win with d4-d5. **23...Rd8!**
24.e4 d4-d5 is the strong threat.
24...fxe5 25.d5 Rf6 26.Bxe5 Rxf3 27.Bxg7+ Kxg7 28.Qxf3 Qd6
Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) /Black=0.22 (precise)
½-½

D70

□ **Goglidze,Victor Arsentievich**
■ **Levenfish,Grigory**
Moscow (7) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D70: Grünfeld: Unusual White 3rd moves (met by ...d5) Ljubojevic,Lj: 'Inf 48/(60)' **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.f3**
[3.Nf3 Bg7 4.g3 c5 5.Bg2 cxd4 6.Nxd4 0-0 7.Nc3 Nc6 8.0-0 Nxd4 9.Qxd4 d6 10.Bd2 Bd7 11.c5 Ne8 12.Qb4 a5 13.Qxb7 Rb8 14.Qa7

Rxb2 15.Ne4 Rxd2 16.Nxd2 Bxa1 17.Rxa1 dxc5 Ljubojevic,L (2635)-Ehlvest,J (2620) Beograd 48/(60) 1989]
[3.Nd2 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Ngf3 0-0 6.Bd3 c5 7.d5 e6 8.0-0 Re8 9.h3 Na6 10.Re1 Bd7 11.Nf1 exd5 12.cxd5 c4 13.Bc2 Nc5 14.Ng3 Bb5 15.Bg5 h6 16.Bd2 Nfd7 17.Bc3 Ba6 1-0 Lazarevic,M (2646)-9.b3 ♖e8 10.h3_68766 (2531) French Championship Cande 2011]

3...d5N
[3...Nc6 4.e4 e5 5.dxe5 Nxe5 6.Be3 Bg7 7.Nc3 0-0 8.Qd2 d6 9.Rd1 c6 10.b3 d5 11.Nge2 Qa5 12.cxd5 cxd5 13.exd5 Re8 14.Ng3 Neg4 15.fxg4 Qb6 16.Be2 Qxe3 17.Qxe3 Rxe3 18.g5 Gomez Vasquez,L-Machado Escanio,M 4.d4 cxd4 5.Nxd4 Rare moves 2023 Rxc3 19.gxf6 Bxf6 20.0-0 Bd8 21.Bc4 Rc2 22.a4 Bd7 3 Chapter-Games Chapter 1 Game]

4.cxd5 Nxd5 5.e4 Nb6 6.Be3 Bg7 7.Nc3 Nc6 0.53/20
[7...0-0= 0.13/20 deserves consideration.]

8.Bb5 0-0 9.Nge2 Na5 0.65/20
[Black should try 9...e5!= 0.15/19 10.d5 Ne7]

10.b3!± White is slightly better. **10...a6 11.Bd3 Nc6 12.Bc2 Nb4 13.Rc1 Nxc2+ 14.Qxc2 a5 15.0-0 a4 16.Nxa4** 0.44/21 White is more active.
[Much less strong is 16.bxa4 Nc4 17.Bf2 c6±]
[16.d5± 1.07/19]

16...Nxa4 17.bxa4 c6 18.Rfd1 Qa5 19.Nc3 Be6 20.d5 0.12/23
[20.Rb1± 0.50/16]

20...cxd5= The position is equal.

21.Nxd5 Bxd5 22.Rxd5 Qxa4 23.Qxa4 Rxa4 Weighted Error Value: White=0.14 (very precise) /Black=0.12 (very precise)
½-½

B18

□ **Bohatirchuk,Fedor Parfenovich**
■ **Flohr,Salo**
Moscow (7) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

B18: Classical Caro-Kann: 4...Bf5 sidelines RR: 'Inf 90/(88)' **1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 dxe4 4.Nxe4 Bf5 5.Ng3 Bg6 6.Nh3 e6 7.Nf4 Qh4 8.Nxg6N** 0.06/20
[White should try 8.Be3± 0.57/19 Nd7 9.Qd2 Be7 10.Be2 *(10.0-0-0 Nh6 11.f3 0-0 12.Nxg6 hxg6 13.Ne4 Nf5 14.Bf4 Nf6 15.g3 Qh8 16.h4 Rad8 17.c3 Nh5 18.g4 Nxf4 19.Qxf4 Qh6 20.g5 Qh7 21.Bh3 Qxh4 22.Bg4 e5 23.Rxh4 exf4 24.Bxf5 Bxg5* ½-½ Domalchuk Jonasson,A (2407)-Sahidi,S (2476) Wch U20 60th Mexico City 2023 (10)) 10...Nb6 11.Ngh5 Bxh5 12.g3 Qg5 13.Nxh5 Qd5 14.0-0 g6 15.Nf4 Qd7 16.Nd3 Nc4 17.Qc3 Nxe3 18.fxe3 Nf6 19.d5 exd5 20.Rxf6 d4 21.Ne5 dxc3 22.Nxd7 cxb2 23.Rb1 0-1 Yemelin,V (2578)-Sakaev,K (2656) Moscow Aeroflot op-A 2004 (8)]
[8.Nge2 Nd7 9.g3 Qd8 10.Bg2 Ngf6 11.Nxg6 hxg6 12.0-0 Qa5 13.c4 0-0-0 14.h3 e5 15.a3 exd4 16.Bf4 Ne5 17.b4 Qc7 18.Nxd4 Nh5 19.Bxe5 Qxe5 20.Nf3 Qf6 21.Qa4 Kb8 22.c5 Be7 1-0 6.cxb5 ♗xb5 7. ♗g2 (2599)-4. ♗c6 bc6 5.b3 d6_39070 (2564) Belgique 120/103 2013 (9.5)]

[8.Qe2 Nd7 9.c3 0-0-0 10.Nxg6 hxg6 11.Ne4 Qe7 12.Bg5 Ndf6 13.0-0-0 Qc7 14.Qf3 Qa5 15.Bc4 Be7 16.h4 Qf5 17.Qxf5 gxf5 18.Nxf6 Bxf6 19.g3 Bxg5+ 20.hxg5 Ne7 21.Rde1 Ng6 22.f4 Kd7 ½-½ Ragozin,V-Flohr,S Moscow IT 2nd 1935 (3)]

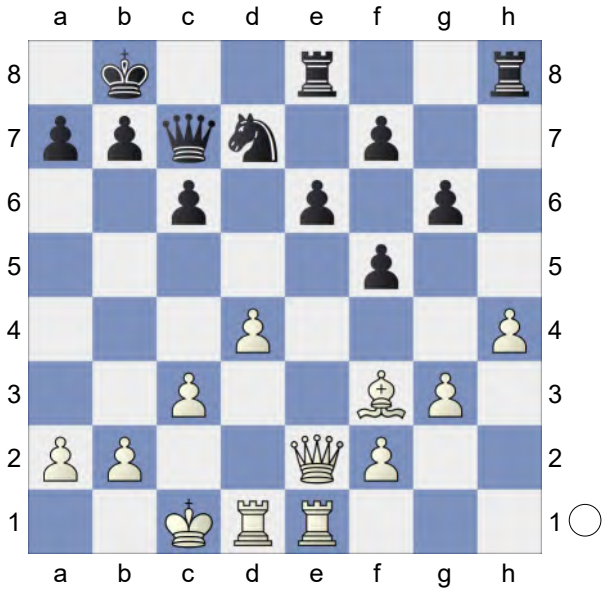
8...hxg6= 9.Qd3 Nd7 10.Ne4 The position is equal. **10...Qd8** 0.61/19

[10...Ngf6= 0.15/20 11.Nxf6+ Qxf6]

11.Be2 Ndf6 12.Nxf6+ 0.17/19

[12.Ng5± 0.57/18 feels stronger.]

12...gxf6 13.Bd2 Qc7 14.g3 0-0-0 15.Qc4 Bh6 16.0-0-0 Bxd2+ 17.Rxd2 Ne7 18.Bf3 Nd5 19.h4 f5 20.c3 Kb8 21.Qe2 Nb6 22.Rdd1 Rde8 23.Rhe1 Nd7



24.d5! d5xc6 would now be deadly.

24...cxd5

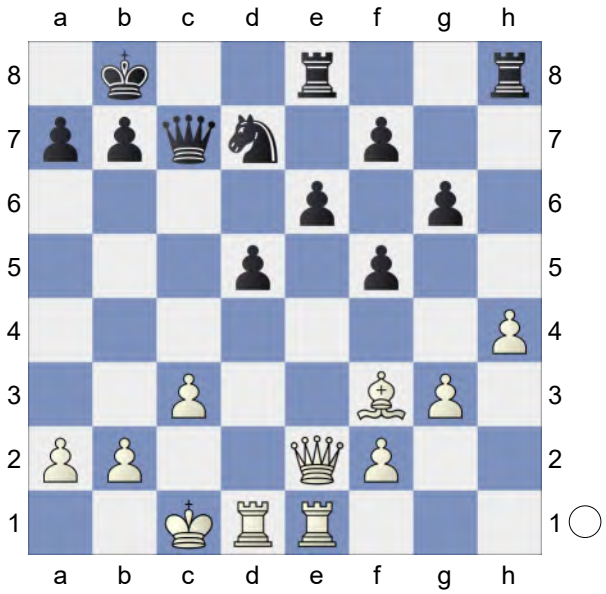
(Diagram)

25.Bxd5! f4

[25...Rd8 26.Bb3]

26.Bg2 Re7 27.Qf3 fxg3 28.fxg3 f5 0.56/21

[28...Rhe8= 0.17/19]



29.Qd3 0.01/19

[29.Qe3± 0.56/21]

29...Nf6 30.Qd6 Rhe8 31.Bf3 -0.36/21

[31.Re5= 0.01/21]

31...Qxd6∓ 32.Rxd6 Kc7 33.Rd2 e5 34.Kc2 -0.79/18

[34.Red1= -0.24/20 remains equal.]

34...Rg7∓ 35.Red1 -1.50/21

[⌓35.Be2 -0.72/19]

35...e4 36.Be2 g5! 37.Rf1 gxh4 -1.13/21

[37...Re5-+ -1.69/22 38.a3 gxh4 39.gxh4 Rh7]

38.gxh4 Re5 39.c4 Rg3 40.Bd1 Ng8 -0.77/19

[⌓40...Rc5 -1.30/20 41.b3 b6]

41.Rh2 -1.44/20

[⌓41.h5 -0.77/19]

41...Nh6 Black is more active. **42.b4** -1.65/20

[42.h5∓ -1.06/18]

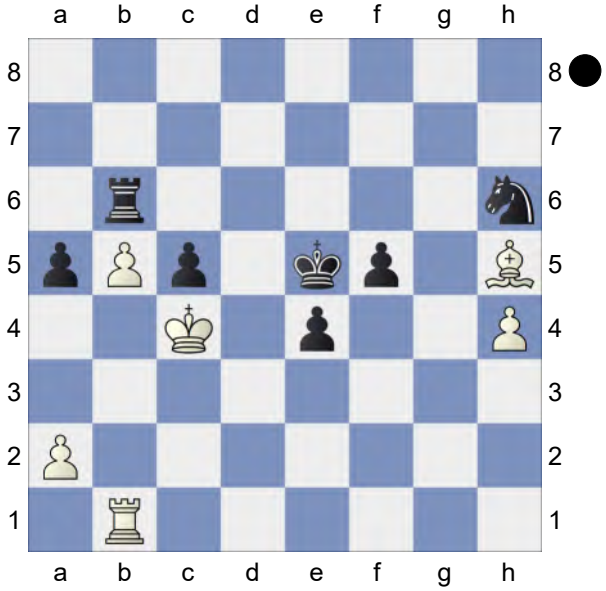
42...a5-+ 43.b5 -2.57/19

[43.bxa5∓ -1.56/18 might work better. Rxa5 44.Kb2]

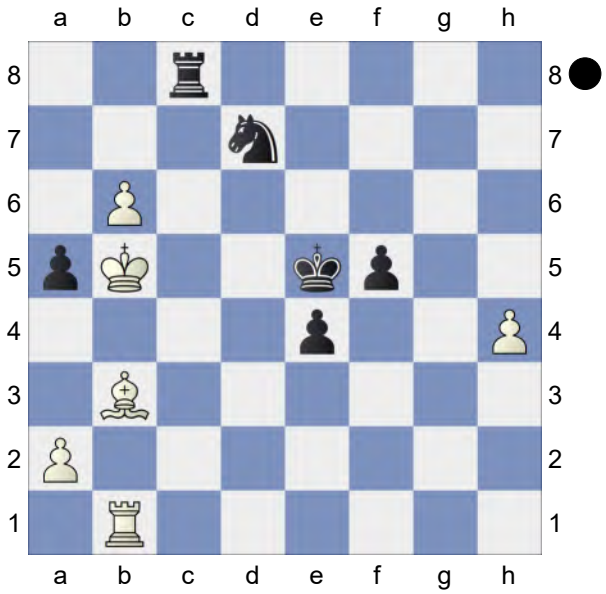
43...b6 -1.22/20

[43...Rc5-+ -2.57/19 and Black stays clearly on top. 44.h5 Rxc4+ 45.Kb1 Rb4+ 46.Ka1 Rxb5]

44.Rd2 -2.33/21
[44.h5∓ -1.22/20]
44...Re6? -0.61/19
[Better is 44...e3!-+ -2.33/21 45.Re2 Ng4]
45.Be2!∓ Rg2 -0.38/20
[45...Re7∓ -0.83/19]
46.Bh5 Rxd2+ 47.Kxd2 Endgame. KRB-KRN **47...Kd6 48.Kc3 Ke5** Strongly threatening ...f5-f4. **49.c5 bxc5**
50.Rb1 -0.84/21
[50.Rg1= -0.21/21]
50...Rb6∓ And now ...f5-f4 would win.
51.Kc4



Ng8 0.01/17
[Black should play 51...Rb8!∓ -0.85/19 Threatens to win with ...f5-f4. 52.Kxc5 *(52.b6 f4=)* 52...Rc8+ 53.Kb6 f4]
52.Kxc5= Rb8 Hoping for ...Ng8-f6.
53.b6 Nf6 54.Bf7 Rf8
[54...e3 is more complex. 55.b7 f4 56.Kc6 f3]
55.Bc4 -1.31/20
[55.Bb3!= -0.29/19]
55...Rc8+∓ 56.Kb5 aiming for b6-b7!
56...Nd7 57.Bb3 -2.79/19
[57.Rc1∓ -1.43/18 was forced.]



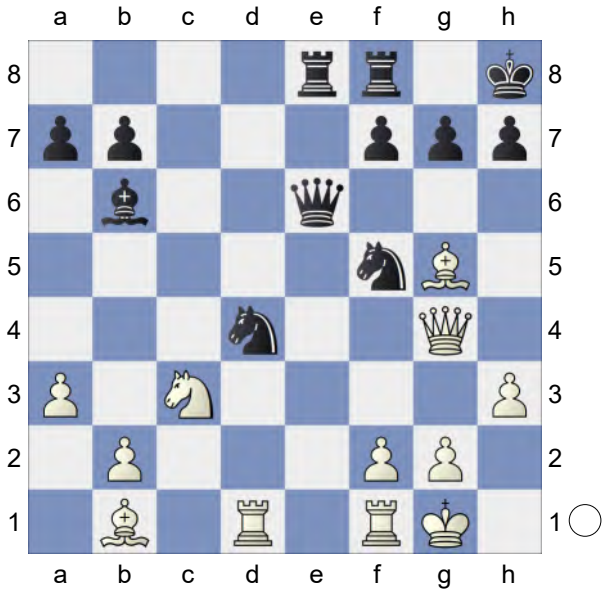
57...Rb8? -0.15/18
[57...a4!-+ -2.79/19 58.Bxa4 Nxb6]
58.Kxa5? -3.00/20 Loses the game.
[58.Kc6!= -0.15/18 and White stays safe.]
58...Nxb6-+ 59.Rf1 -4.32/18
[⌓59.Ka6 -2.85/19 Nd5 60.Rg1]
59...f4 60.h5 f3 61.h6 Nd7 62.h7 -4.74/19
[⌓62.Ba4 -3.38/18 Nf6 63.Bc6]
62...Rh8 Black is clearly winning. **63.Rh1 Nf6** Repels Rh1-h5+ **64.Kb5 Rxh7 65.Rf1 Kf4 66.a4 Rb7+ 67.Kc4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.38/ Black=0.24 (precise)
0-1

D32

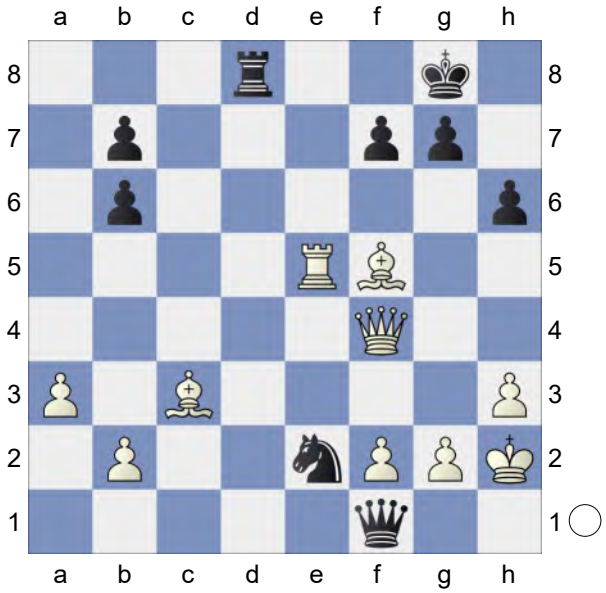
□ **Botvinnik,Mikhail**
■ **Stahlberg,Gideon**
Moscow (7) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D32: Tarrasch Defence: Sidelines and lines without g3 **1.c4 e6 2.Nc3 d5 3.d4 c5 4.cxd5 exd5 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.e3** 0.19/19

[6.dxc5± 0.59/19 d4 7.Na4]
6...c4 7.Be2 -0.10/22
[7.e4 0.29/20 might be stronger. dxe4 8.Ng5]
7...Bb4= 8.0-0 Nge7 The position is equal. **9.e4 dxe4 10.Nxe4 0-0** 1.15/21
[10...Bf5!± 0.44/19 11.Nc5 Qd5]
11.Bxc4 Bg4 12.a3 Ba5 13.Ba2 0.94/21
[⌓13.Neg5 1.43/20 h6 14.h3 Bxf3 15.Nxf3]
13...Bb6± 14.h3 0.69/22
[14.Neg5± 1.11/22 Ng5xf7 is the strong threat. Bh5 15.d5]
14...Bxf3 15.Qxf3 Strongly threatening Qf3-h5. **15...Nxd4 16.Qh5 Nef5N 17.Bg5** White is more active. **17...Qd7 18.Qg4** Hoping for Ne4-f6+!
[18.Bd2 keeps more tension. Qb5 19.Ng5 Nh6 20.a4]
18...Kh8 19.Rad1 Threatens to win with Ne4-g3. **19...Qc6** 1.02/22
[19...f6± 0.56/21 20.Bd2 Qe8]
20.Nc3 Rae8 21.Bb1↑ White is in control. **21...Qe6** 1.20/19
[⌓21...f6 0.71/22 22.Bd2 *(22.Bxf5 Nxf5 23.Bf4 g6±)* 22...g6]



22.Rfe1 0.80/21 **Qc8** 2.44/22 Loses the game.
[22...Qxe1+± 0.80/21 was worth a try. 23.Rxe1 Rxe1+ 24.Kh2 g6 25.Bxf5 *(25.Bf6+ Kg8±)* 25...Nxf5]
23.Nd5 Nd5xb6 would now be deadly.
23...h6? 4.63/23
[23...Rxe1+ 1.86/21 might work better. 24.Rxe1 Re8 25.Rxe8+ Qxe8]
24.Nxb6+- axb6 25.Bd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Rd8 27.Bc3 Qc5 28.Qe4 Qc6 29.Qf4 Qb5 30.Kh2 Kg8 31.Re5 Qf1 32.Bxf5 A strong pair of Bishops.
32...Ne2



33.Bh7+! Kh8
[33...Kxh7 34.Rxe2]

(Diagram)

34.Rxe2! Qxe2
[34...Qc1 35.Qxc1]
35.Qxf7 Weighted Error Value: White=0.21 (precise) /Black=0.55
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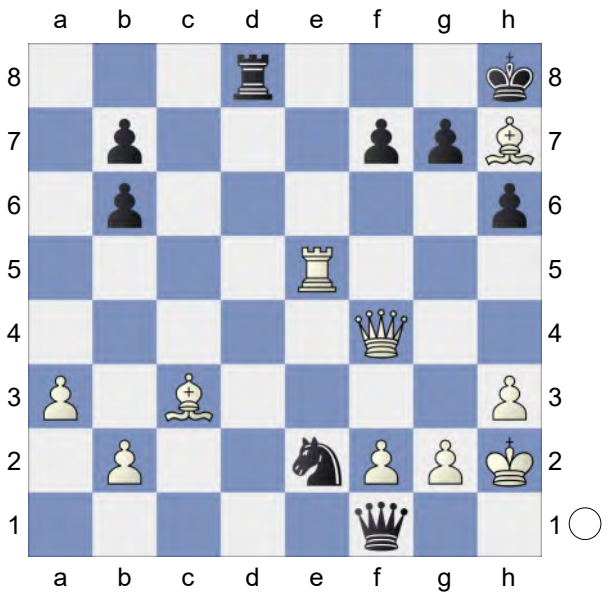
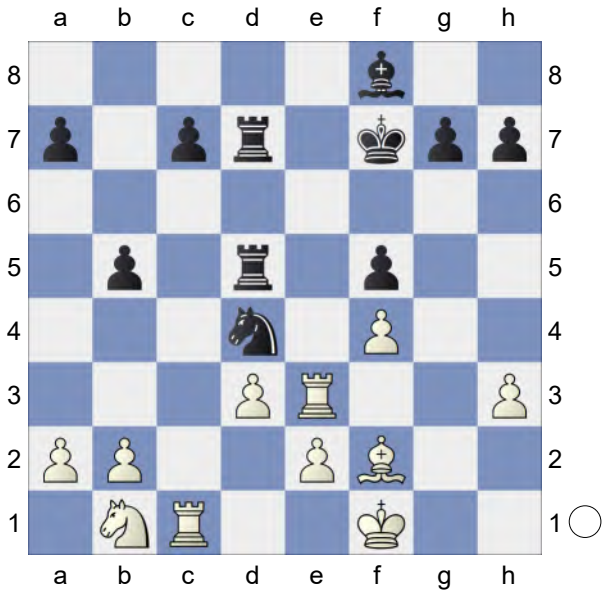


A29

□ **Chekhover,Vitaly**
■ **Lilienthal,Andor**
Moscow (7) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A29: English Opening: Four Knights Variation with 4 g3 **1.c4 Nf6 2.Nc3 e5 3.Nf3 Nc6 4.d3 d5N**
[4...g6 5.g3 Bg7 6.Bg2 0-0 7.0-0 d6 8.b3 Nd4 9.Nd2 c6 10.e3 Ne6 11.Bb2 Nc5 12.Qc2 a5 13.Rae1 Re8 14.h3 Bf5 15.e4 Bd7 16.Ne2 b5 17.d4 exd4 18.Nxd4 Rc8 19.N4f3 ½-½ Kramnik,V (2800)-Ding,L (2769) FIDE Berlin Candidates 2018 (7.2)]
[4...d6 5.g3 g6 6.Bg2 Bg7 7.Rb1 a5 8.a3 0-0 9.b4 axb4 10.axb4 Nd4 11.Nd2 c6 12.e3 Nf5 13.e4 Nd4 14.Nf3 Nxf3+ 15.Qxf3 Bg4 16.Qe3 Be6 17.Qe2 d5 18.cxd5 cxd5 19.Bg5 ½-½ Tal,M-Sosonko,G It Tilburg (Netherlands) 1980 d4 20.Nd5 Bxd5 ½-½ B223 Dxe6-Michael,D (zt) 74/70 Donetsk 1998]

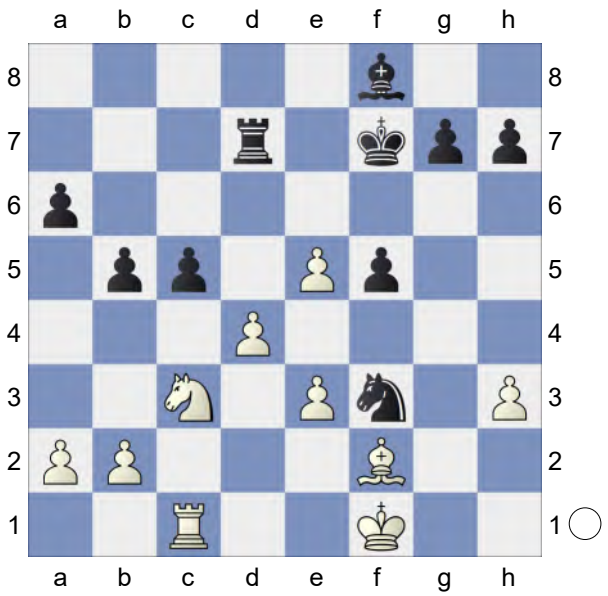
5.cxd5 Nxd5 6.g3 Be7 7.Bg2 Be6 8.0-0 0-0 9.Bd2 Qd7 10.Rc1 Nxc3 11.Bxc3 f6 12.Nd2 Bd5 The position is equal. **13.Bxd5+ Qxd5 14.Qb3 Qxb3 15.Nxb3 Rfd8 16.f4 exf4 17.gxf4 Rd5 18.Rf3 Rad8 19.Be1 f5 20.Bc3 Bf8 21.Kf1 R8d6 22.h3 Rd7 23.Be1 Nd8 24.Nd2 b5 25.Nb1** -0.75/21
[25.Bf2= -0.27/21]
25...Ne6∓ 26.Bf2 Nd4 -0.05/19
[Black should try 26...R5d6∓ -0.75/20]
27.Re3= Kf7



Repels Re3-e8. Threatens to win with ... Bf8-d6. **28.Nc3 Rc5** ...b5-b4 is the strong threat. **29.Re5! Rxe5 30.fxe5** Black must now prevent Bf2xd4. **30...a6 31.e3 Nf3** 1.18/22
[31...Nc6± 0.36/22]
32.d4± And now Kf1-e2 would win.
32...c5

(Diagram)

33.Rd1? -1.13/23
[33.Kg2!± 1.05/20 stays on course. Nd2 *(33...cxd4? 34.exd4 Ng5 35.Be3+-)* 34.Rd1]



33...b4↑ Black is on the roll. **34.Na4** aiming for Kf1-e2! **34...Nxe5** Black is more active. **35.Ke2 cxd4 36.exd4 Ng6** ...Ng6-f4+ would now be deadly. **37.h4** -2.23/20

[37.Kf3∓ -1.17/20]

37...Be7-+ 38.Rh1 Bf6 39.h5 -2.94/22

[39.Nc5 -2.08/20 is a better defense. Rd6 40.b3]

39...Nf4+ 40.Kf3 Ne6 41.Nc5 Nxd4+ 42.Bxd4 Rxd4 43.Nxa6 g5 Weighted Error Value: White=0.29 (precise) / Black=0.15 (very precise)

0-1

A44

□ **Alatortsev,Vladimir**
■ **Riumin,Nikolay Nikolaevich**
Moscow (7) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A44: Semi-Benoni **1.d4 c5 2.d5 e5**

[2...g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.f4 Nf6 6.Bb5+ Nfd7 7.a4 Na6 8.Nf3 Nc7 9.Bc4 0-0 10.0-0 a6 11.Qe2 Rb8 12.Bd2 b5 13.axb5 axb5 14.Nxb5 Nxb5 15.Bxb5 Bxb2 16.Ba5 Nb6 17.Rab1 1-0 Winants,L (2523)-Danner, G (2437) EU-Cup 16th Neum 2000 (6. 1)]

[2...e6 3.Nc3 d6 4.e4 exd5 5.Nxd5 Nf6 6.Nf3 Nxd5 7.Qxd5 Nc6 8.Ng5 Qe7 9.Bb5 Bd7 10.Bc4 Nd8 11.0-0 h6 12.Nf3 Bc6 13.Qd2 Ne6 14.Bd5 Qd7 15.b3 Be7 16.Bb2 0-0 17.Rfe1 Chapter-1. e4 c6 Advance w/ Bf5 2010]

3.e4N

[3.c4 d6 4.Nc3 Ne7 5.g3 g6 6.Bg2 Bg7 7.Nf3 Na6 8.0-0 0-0 9.Ne1 Bd7 10.Nd3 Rb8 11.a4 Nc7 12.f4 f6 13.e4 b6 14.g4 h6 15.Be3 a6 16.Qd2 Kh7 17.g5 Ng8 0-1 Oms Pallise,J-12. ♘gf3 ♕c7 13. 0-0_18577 Jugoslavija (ch-open) 60/ (132) 1994 18.gxf6 Bxf6 19.fxe5 dxe5 20.a5 b5 21.b3 Rc8 22.Nxc5 bxc4 23.bxc4 Ne8 24.Nxd7 Qxd7 25.c5 Qc7 26.Na4 Ng7 27.Bh3 Rcd8 28.Rfd1 Nh5 29.Nb6 Nf4 30.Bf1 Bg5 31.Bxa6 Nf6 32.d6 Qc6 0-1 Garcia,A-Barros Lizcano,R COL-ch Colombia 1990]

[3.Nc3 d6 4.e4 g6 5.Be2 Bg7 6.Nf3 Nf6 7.0-0 0-0 8.Nd2 Nbd7 9.a4 Ne8 10.Nc4 Nb6 11.Nxb6 Qxb6 12.a5 Qd8 13.f4 f5 14.Bd3 Qe7 15.Qe2 Bd7 16.Bd2 Nc7 17.Rae1 b5 0-1 Golubka,P-Classical Minor Lines USSR - World 9/256 1970]

3...d6 4.Bd3 g6 5.Ne2 Nh6 1.27/18

[Better is 5...Nf6 0.85/17]

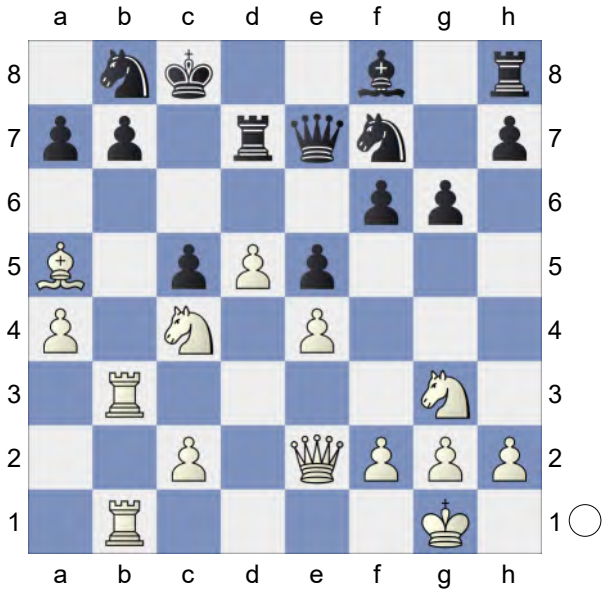
6.Ng3± Na6 7.Bd2 White is more active. **7...Qb6** 1.92/18

[7...Ng4± 1.24/17]

8.Na3+- White is clearly better. **8...f6 9.Bb5+ Bd7 10.Bxd7+ Kxd7 11.Nc4 Qd8 12.a4 Qe7** 2.28/18

[12...Nf7 1.81/18 keeps fighting.

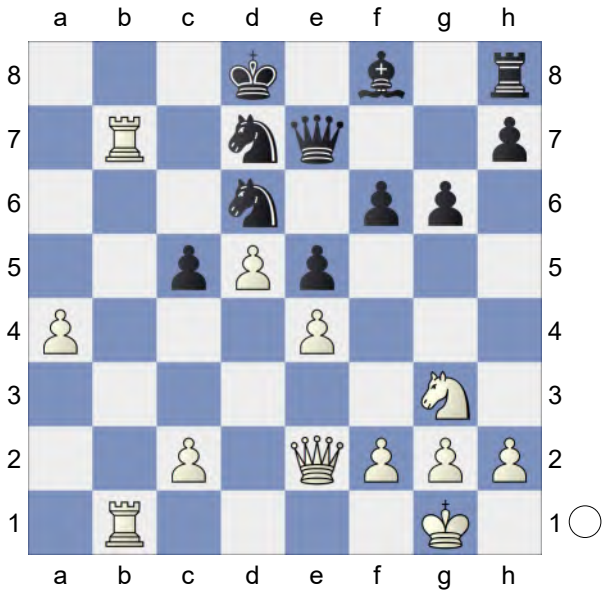
13.0-0 Kc7]
13.0-0 Rd8 2.31/17
[13...Nf7 1.86/18 was called for. 14.h3 h5]
14.Ra3 Kc8 15.Qe2 Black must now prevent Nc4-a5. **15...Rd7** 3.72/19
[15...Kb8 2.51/18 might work better. 16.Na5 Ka8]
16.Na5 Nb8 17.b4 Nf7 18.Rb1 Rc7 19.Rab3 Strongly threatening b4xc5. **19...Nd8 20.bxc5 dxc5 21.Nc4** Threatens to win with d5-d6. **21...Nf7** 6.30/20
[⌓21...Rd7 4.21/17 22.Nf1 h5]
22.Ba5 Rd7



23.Bb6! axb6 24.Nxb6+ Kd8 25.Nxd7 Discovered Attack **25...Nxd7 26.Rxb7 Nd6**

(Diagram)

27.Qa6! Ke8
[27...Nc8 28.Qc6]
28.Ra7 Bg7 29.Qc6 Threatening mate with Rb1-b8+. **29...Nf7 30.Rbb7** Black got outplayed after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very



precise) /Black=0.89
1-0

D36

□ **Kan,Ilia Abramovich**
■ **Spielmann,Rudolf**
Moscow (7) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D36: Queen's Gambit Declined: Exchange Variation: Main line (5 Bg5 c6 6 Qc2) **1.d4 e6 2.c4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Nbd7 5.e3 c6 6.cxd5 exd5 7.Bd3 Be7 8.Qc2 0-0 9.Nf3 Re8 10.0-0 Nf8 11.Ne5 Ng4**
[11...Nh5 12.Bxe7 Qxe7 13.h3 Nf6 14.g4 N6d7 15.Nf3 b5 16.g5 Nb6 17.Ne5 Bd7 18.f4 f6 19.gxf6 Qxf6 20.Rab1 Re7 21.f5 Nc4 22.Ng4 Qh4 23.f6 Rf7 24.Qf2 Qh5 25.Bxc4 bxc4 26.Ne5 0-1 Fadeev,V-Gurevich,M (2420) UKR-ch53 Kiev 1984 (4)]
12.Bxe7 Qxe7 13.Nxg4 Bxg4 14.Rac1N
[14.Rae1 Qf6 15.a4 Re7 16.b4 Rae8 17.b5 Qd6 18.bxc6 bxc6 19.Rb1 Bc8 20.Rfc1 Re6 21.Ne2

Rh6 22.Ng3 Nd7 23.Qc3 Qc7 24.Rb2 Rd6 25.Qb4 g6 26.a5 Rde6 27.Ne2 Kg7 28.Nf4 Rd6 1-0 Rojas,A-Chasovnikova,E USSR 17/(288) 1974 (5)]

[14.Ne2 Rad8 15.Ng3 g6 16.a3 h5 17.h3 h4 18.Ne2 Bc8 19.Kh1 Ne6 20.b4 Ng5 21.Nf4 a6 22.Rab1 Be6 23.a4 Rc8 24.Rfc1 b5 25.Rb2 Qd7 26.Kh2 Kg7 27.Bxg6 Ne4 28.Bxe4 dxe4 1-0 7.♗e3 ♕c7.g4_60728-Bronsdijk,L cr th Germany 1967]

14...Bh5 15.Ne2 Bg6 16.Bxg6 hxg6 17.Qc5 Ne6 18.Qxe7 Rxe7 19.h4 f6 20.g3 g5 21.hxg5 Nxg5 22.Nf4 Kf7 The position is equal. **23.Kg2 Rh8 24.Rh1 Rxh1 25.Rxh1=** KRN-KRN **25...Re8 26.Rc1 Ne4 27.Nd3 Re7 28.Nc5 Nxc5 29.Rxc5 Ke6 30.Kf3** An uneventful encounter. Weighted Error Value: White=0.08 (flawless) / Black=0.08 (flawless)

½-½

C86

□ **Lasker,Emanuel**
■ **Rabinovich,Ilya Leontievich**
Moscow (7) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

C86: Closed Ruy Lopez: Worrall Attack The match had been very tense. Many people including me expected Magnus to be a clear favourite, but Sergey and his team prepared excellently. The tie-break was eagerly awaited by the chess world.

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 Be7 6.Qe2

[6.d3 b5 7.Bb3 d6 8.a3 0-0 9.Nc3 Nb8 *(9...Na5 10.Ba2 c5 11.Bg5 Be6 12.Bxf6 Bxf6 13.Nd5 Nc6 14.c3 g6 15.a4 Bg7 16.Ne3 Bd7 17.Bd5 Qc7 18.Qb3 Rab8 19.axb5 axb5 20.Ra6 Ne7 21.Rfa1 Nc8 22.h3 h6 23.Nh4 Ne7 24.Ra7* 1-0 Jiang,L (2352)-Wongso,S (2069) Las Vegas 1000 GM op 2023 (1)*)* 10.Ne2 c5 11.Ng3 Nc6 12.c3 Rb8 13.h3 a5 14.a4 b4 15.Re1 Be6 16.Bc4 h6 17.Be3 Qc8 18.Qe2 Rd8 19.Bxe6 fxe6 20.d4 bxc3 ½-½ Karjakin,S (2772)-Carlsen,M (2853) World-ch Carlsen-Karjakin Tiebreak New York rapid 2016 (1)]

6...b5 7.Bb3 d6N

[7...0-0 8.h3 Bb7 9.c3 d5 10.d3 d4 11.cxd4 exd4 12.Bd2 b4 13.a3 Na5 14.Ba4 c5 15.axb4 cxb4 16.Ne5 Bd6 17.f4 Qb6 18.Qe1 Bc8 19.Na3 Be7 20.Nc2 Rb8 21.g4 Rd8 22.g5 1-0 Friedrich,G-Ruester,O Dyckhoff Memorial 4/M corr 1954]

8.a4 Bg4 9.c3 0-0 10.h3 Bd7 11.d3 Na5 12.Bc2 c5 13.axb5 axb5 14.Be3 Qc7 15.Nbd2 d5 16.Bg5 d4 17.Rfc1 Nc6 18.Nf1 -0.64/19

[White should try 18.c4= -0.10/20]

18...Qb7 0.23/21

[18...Rxa1∓ -0.64/19 19.Rxa1 h6]

19.Ng3 -0.17/20

[19.Rxa8 0.23/21 should be considered. Rxa8 20.cxd4 Nxd4 *(20...exd4 21.Bb3±)* 21.Nxd4 exd4 *(21...cxd4 22.Bb3±)* 22.Bb3]

19...Rxa1 20.Rxa1 Ra8 21.Qd1 Be6 22.Bd2 -0.70/20

[22.Rxa8+= -0.24/20 is superior. Qxa8 23.Bb3 dxc3 24.bxc3]

22...h6∓ 23.Ne2 Nd7 24.cxd4 -0.93/23

[24.Rxa8+∓ -0.39/21 Qxa8 25.cxd4 cxd4 *(25...exd4 26.b4=; 25...Nxd4 26.Nfxd4 exd4 27.b3∓)* 26.Bb3]

24...cxd4 -0.41/22

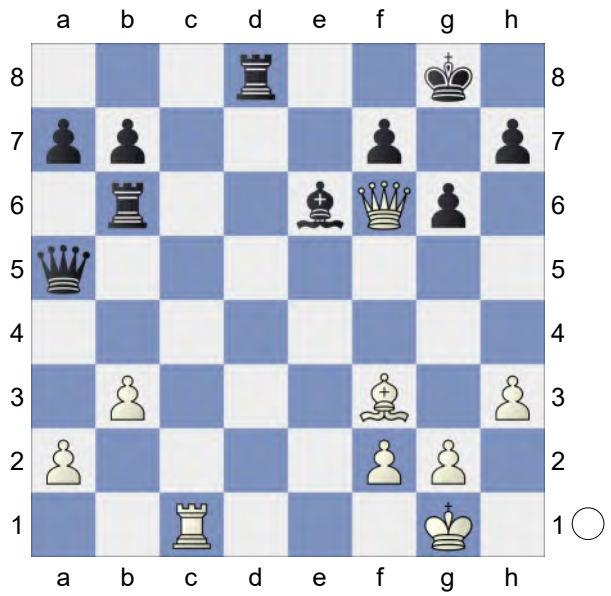
[24...Rxa1∓ -0.93/23 25.Qxa1 cxd4 *(25...Nxd4 26.Nexd4 cxd4 27.b4=)*]

25.Rxa8+ Qxa8 26.Bb3 Dodges Qa8-a2 **26...Nc5 27.Bxe6 fxe6** -0.01/25
[27...Nxe6∓ -0.40/25 28.Qb3 Qa4]
28.Qc2 -0.41/24
[28.Nc1= -0.01/25]
28...Qa4 29.Qxa4 Nxa4 30.b3 Nc5 31.Nc1 Nd7 32.Ne1 Ba3 33.Na2 The position is equal. **33...Nc5 34.b4 Nb3 35.Nc2! Bb2 36.Be1 h5 37.Kf1 Nc1 38.Nxc1 Bxc1 39.Ke2 Kf7 40.Bd2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.14 (very precise) /Black=0.14 (very precise)
½-½

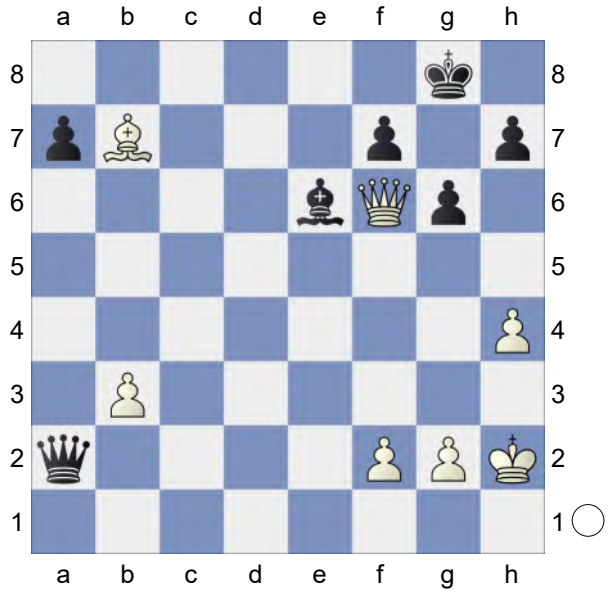
D93

□ **Lisitsin,Georgy**
■ **Romanovsky,Peter Arsenievich**
Moscow (7) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D93: Grünfeld: 4 Nf3 Bg7 5 Bf4 0-0 6 e3
Tal,M: 'Inf 10/733' **1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.d4 d5 4.Nc3 Bg7 5.Bf4 0-0 6.e3 c6N**
[6...c5 7.dxc5 Qa5
A) 8.Qa4 Qxa4 9.Nxa4 Ne4 10.cxd5 Bd7 11.c6 *(11.Bd3 Bxa4 12.Bxe4 Nd7 13.Nd4 Nxc5 14.f3 Nxe4 15.fxe4 Bxd4 16.exd4 Bc2 17.0-0 Bxe4 18.Rfe1* D 93/14 2003 *)* 11...bxc6 12.Bc4 c5 13.Bd3 Bxa4 14.Bxe4 Nd7 15.d6 Rae8 16.dxe7 Rxe7 17.Bd3 Bxb2 18.Rb1 Ne5 19.Bxe5 Bxe5 20.Ke2 Bc6 21.Rhc1 Rc8 22.g3 Kg7 D 93/14 2003;
B) 8.Rc1 Be6 9.Nd4 Nc6 10.Nxc6 *(10.Nb3 Qd8 11.cxd5 Nxd5 12.Nxd5 Bxd5 13.Rc2 e6 14.Bd6 Re8 15.Rd2 a5 16.f3 Bh6 17.Kf2 Qh4+ 18.g3 Qf6 19.Bg2 a4 20.Nd4 Na5 21.f4 Bxg2 22.Kxg2 Nc4 23.Re2 e5 24.fxe5 Qg5* 0-1 Aigner,J (2555)-Strick,E (2625) corr GB-ch 1991*)* 10...bxc6 11.Qa4 Qxc5 12.b4 Qb6 13.c5 Qd8 14.Be5 Bh6 15.Qxc6 a5 16.a3 axb4 17.axb4 Ng4 18.Bc7 Qc8 19.b5 d4 20.b6 dxe3 21.f4 1-0 Tukmakov,V-Tseitlin,M USSR (ch) 10/733 1970]
7.Qb3 Qa5 8.Nd2 Nbd7 9.Be2 Re8 0.65/20
[9...Nh5= 0.15/19]
10.cxd5 Nxd5 11.Nc4 Qd8 The position is equal. **12.Nxd5 cxd5 13.Nd2** -0.69/21
[13.Ne5= -0.13/21]
13...e5∓ 14.dxe5 Nxe5 15.0-0 Re6 16.Qd1 Bd7 17.Rc1 Rb6 18.b3 Nc6 0.53/20
[18...Rc6= 0.01/21]
19.Bd6 -0.01/21
[Better is 19.Nf3± 0.53/20]
19...Bf8 0.57/20
[19...Be8= -0.01/21 20.Bc5 Nb4]
20.Bxf8± Qxf8 21.Nf3 Be6 22.Nd4 0.01/21
[22.Ng5± 0.53/19]
22...Nxd4= 23.Qxd4 Rb4 24.Qf6 0.01/21
[24.Qd2± 0.43/20]
24...d4 25.exd4 Qd8 26.Qf3 Qxd4 27.Rfd1 Qb6 0.37/22
[27...Qb2= -0.17/21 28.Bc4 Bxc4 29.bxc4 a5]
28.Qf6± Re8 29.Bf3 Qa5 30.h3 -0.41/21
[White should play 30.h4± 0.52/20]
30...Rb6 0.99/21
[30...Qxa2∓ -0.41/21 keeps the upper hand. 31.Ra1 Qxb3 32.Rxa7 Qc2]
31.Rd8± White has more active pieces.
31...Rxd8



Deflection **32.Qxd8+ Kg7 33.Qd4+! Kg8 34.Qd8+** 0.01/5
[34.Rd1± 0.95/22 Hoping for Qd4-f6. Qg5 35.h4]
34...Kg7= 35.Qd4+ Kg8 36.Rd1 Qb4 1.19/22
[Black should try 36...Qg5 0.74/23]
37.Qf6 0.38/24
[37.Qe5± 1.19/22 aiming for Rd1-d8+. Qe7 38.Qb8+ Kg7 39.Rd8 *(39.Qxa7 Qb4±)*]
37...Rd6± 38.Rxd6 Qxd6 39.Bxb7 Qd1+ 40.Kh2 Qd2 41.h4 Qxa2



42.h5 -0.43/24 **gxh5** 0.01/24
Weighted Error Value: White=0.24 (precise) /Black=0.23 (precise)
[42...Qd2∓ -0.43/24]
½-½

A56

□ **Ragozin,Viacheslav**
■ **Menchik,Vera**
Moscow (7) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A56: Czech Benoni **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5N**
[3.e3 g6 4.b3 *(4.Nf3 Bg7 5.Nc3 0-0 6.Be2 cxd4 7.Nxd4 Nc6 8.0-0 d6 9.h3 Bd7 10.b3 Rc8 11.Bb2 a6 12.Qd2 Qa5 13.Rfd1 Rfd8 14.Nf3 Be8 15.Rac1 e6 16.a3 Qb6 17.b4 Ne7 18.Qc2 a5* 0-1 Ben Menachem,I (2291)-Iliaguev,N (2364) ISR-ch 41st Arad 2022 (4)*)* 4...Bg7 5.Bb2 0-0 6.Nf3 cxd4 *(6...Ne4 7.Nc3 Nxc3 8.Bxc3 Nc6 9.Qc2 Qb6 10.Qb2 d6 11.Be2 e6 12.0-0 Qc7 13.Rfd1 Rb8 14.Rac1 f6 15.d5 exd5 16.Rxd5 Ne7 17.Rd2 Bf5 18.Rcd1 Rbd8 19.Ne1 Nc6 20.Bf3 Be6 21.Bd5* ½-½ Paradies,B-Froehlich,M DSB Team U20-ch Germany 1978 (5.6)*)* 7.Nxd4 d5 8.Nc3 Nc6 9.Nxc6 bxc6 10.Be2 Be6 11.cxd5 cxd5 12.0-0 Qa5 13.Qd2 Rfd8 14.Rfd1 Rac8 15.Rac1 Ne4 16.Nxe4 Qxd2 17.Rxd2 Bxb2 0-1 Ohl,K (2258)-Melts,M (2386) London Classic KO 5th rapid 2013 (7) 18.Rxc8 Rxc8 19.Rxb2 Rc1+ 20.Bf1 dxe4 21.f4 exf3 22.Kf2 fxg2 23.Bxg2 f5 24.Kg3 Kg7 25.Rd2 Kf6 26.Rd4 Rc3 27.Ra4 Rxe3+ 28.Kf2 Rc3 29.Rxa7 Rc2+ 30.Kg1 f4 31.Be4 Re2 32.Bf3 Re3

0-1 Mulawa,C (2258)-Maltsevskaya,A (2386) Warsaw Szansa blitz op 2023 (7)]

3...d6 4.Nc3 g6 5.e4 b5 1.15/21 **6.cxb5± Bg7 7.Nf3 0-0 8.Be2** White is better. **8...Bb7 9.0-0 Nbd7 10.Nd2** 1.27/18

[10.a4+- 1.63/19]

10...Qc7 1.63/19

[10...a6± 1.27/18 11.Re1 Ne8]

11.a4 a6 1.76/19

[11...e6± 1.38/20]

12.Nc4+- Rfb8 13.Qc2 Qd8 14.Bd2 Ne8 15.Ra3 e6 2.38/18

[⌓15...Ne5 1.72/19 16.Rb1 Nxc4 17.Bxc4 axb5]

16.Ne3 1.25/18

[16.dxe6+- 2.38/18 fxe6 17.Bf4]

16...Nc7± 17.Bc4 0.88/19

[White should try 17.bxa6 1.30/17 Bxa6 18.Bxa6 Rxa6 19.b3]

17...Kh8 1.63/16

[17...exd5± 0.88/19 keeps fighting. 18.Ncxd5 *(18.Nexd5 Ne5±)* 18...Ne6]

18.Qb3 1.24/19

[18.Rd1+- 1.63/16]

18...Nb6 19.dxe6 Nxc4 20.Qxc4 axb5 21.Nxb5 fxe6 1.92/23

[21...Nxe6± 1.15/21 might work better. 22.Bc3 Ba6]

22.Bc3+- Strongly threatening Bc3xg7+.

22...Bc6? 3.72/21

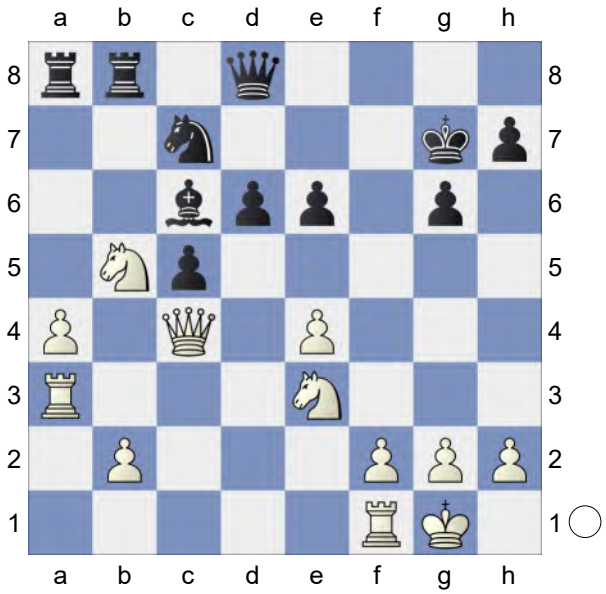
[22...Ba6 1.96/20 23.Bxg7+ Kxg7 24.Qc3+ e5]

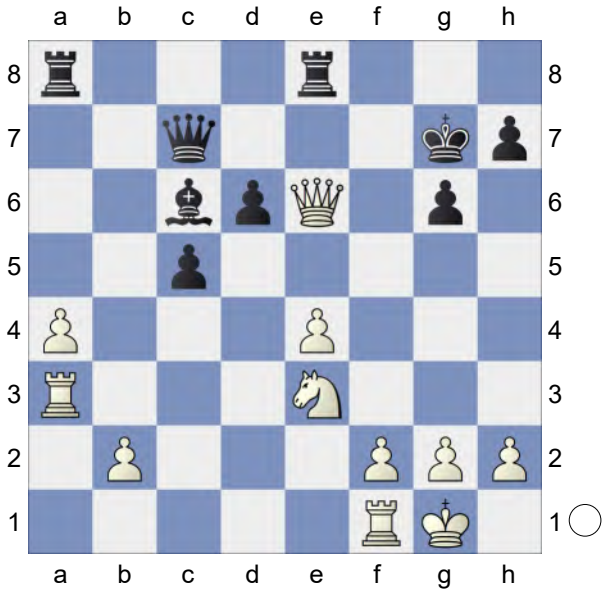
23.Bxg7+ Kxg7

(Diagram)

24.Nxc7 Qxc7 25.Qxe6 Ne3-f5+! is the strong threat. **25...Re8?** 15.99/22

[25...Rf8 3.46/21 26.Rd1 Qf7 27.Qxf7+ *(27.Qxd6 Qxf2+ 28.Kh1 Qxb2±)* 27...Rxf7 28.Rxd6 Bxe4]





26.Nf5+! Double Attack **26...Kf8 27.Qf6+** Weighted Error Value: White=0.17 (very precise) /Black=0.35

[27.Qxd6+ Qxd6 28.Nxd6 Re6+-]

1-0

C42

□ **Riumin,Nikolay Nikolaevich**
■ **Goglidze,Victor Arsentievich**
Moscow (8) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

C42: Petroff Defence: 3 Nxe5 and unusual White 3rd moves **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Nxe5 d6 4.Nf3 Nxe4 5.d4 Be7 6.Bd3 Nf6 7.h3 0-0 8.0-0 Nc6 9.c3 Re8**

[9...Be6 10.Re1 Qd7 11.Ng5 Rfe8 12.Nxe6 fxe6 13.Nd2 a6 14.Nf3 Nd5 15.Qc2 h6 16.Qe2 Bd8 17.Bg6 Re7 18.c4 Nf6 19.Bf4 a5 20.Rad1 Qc8 21.Bg3 Nb4 22.a3 Nc6 23.Bh4 a4 24.Qe3 0-1 Cerne,P (1420)-Glowinski,D (1456) corr 149.LSS NoEngine Cup Preliminary 1 Lechenicher SchachServer 2016]

10.Qc2N

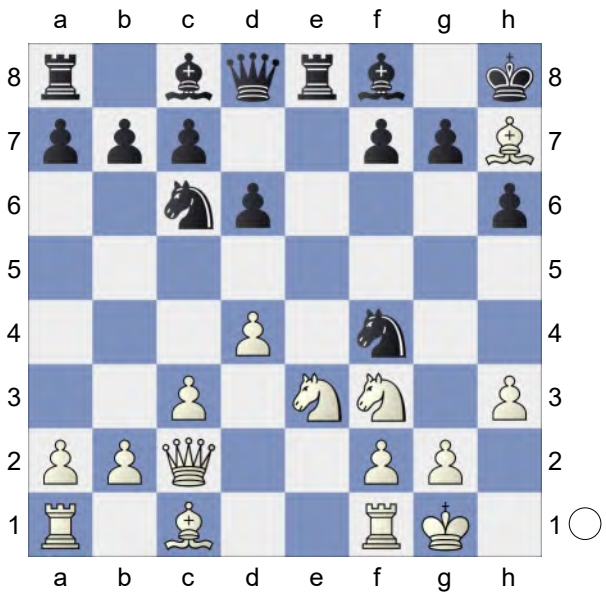
[10.Re1 Bd7 11.Nbd2 Bf8 12.Ne4 d5 13.Ng3 Bd6 14.Rxe8+ Qxe8 15.Qc2 h6 16.Bd2 Qf8 17.Nf5 Jussupow Rubinstein System-Fernandez,C 70/241 Yopal 1997]

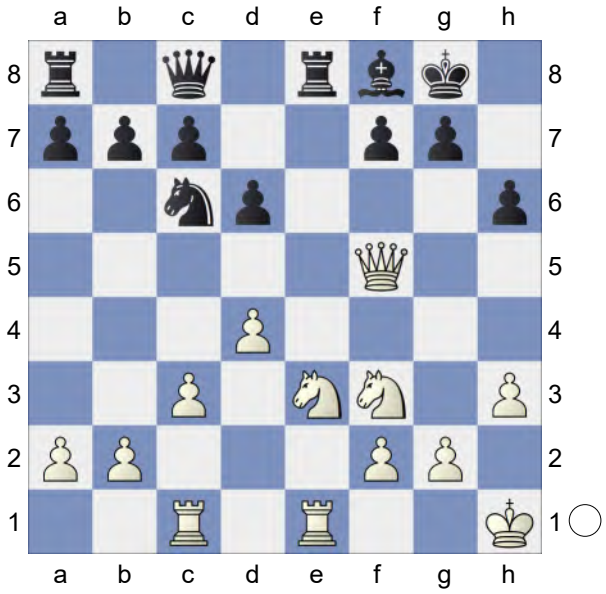
[10.Bf4 Nh5 11.Bh2 g6 12.Re1 Bf8 13.Rxe8 Qxe8 14.Nbd2 Bg7 15.Qb3 Nf6 16.Re1 Qd7 17.Ne4 Nxe4 18.Bxe4 Nd8 19.d5 b6 20.Bd3 a6 21.Qc4 Bb7 22.Nd4 b5 23.Qb3 c5 24.dxc6 Nxc6 ½-½ Burkart,W (2590)-5..dxe4 (2560) USSR 12/124 1971 (3)]

10...h6 11.Nbd2 White is slightly better. **11...Bf8 12.Nc4 Nd5 13.Ne3 Nf4 14.Bh7+ Kh8**

(Diagram)

...g7-g6 would now be deadly. **15.Bf5 Bxf5 16.Qxf5 Ne2+ 17.Kh1 Nxc1 18.Raxc1 Kg8 19.Rfe1 Qc8**



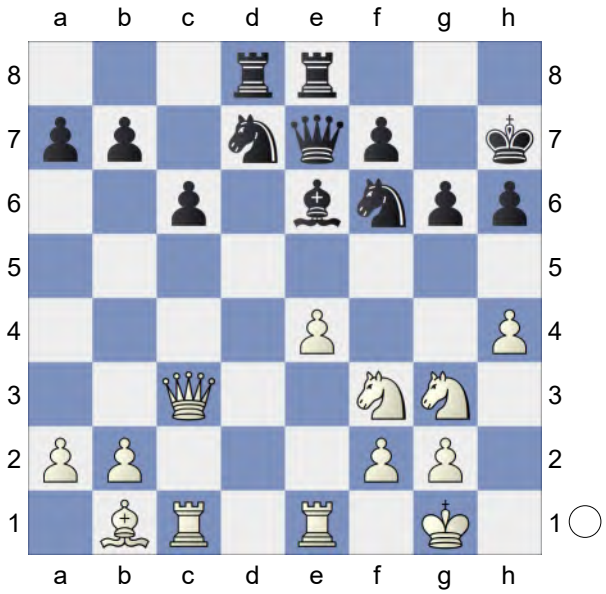


Threatens to win with ...Re8xe3! **20.Qxc8 Raxc8 21.Nd5 Ne7** The position is equal. **22.Nxe7+ Rxe7 23.Rxe7 Bxe7 24.Re1 Kf8 25.Kg1 Re8** Weighted Error Value: White=0.10 (very precise) /Black=0.07 (flawless)
½-½

D67

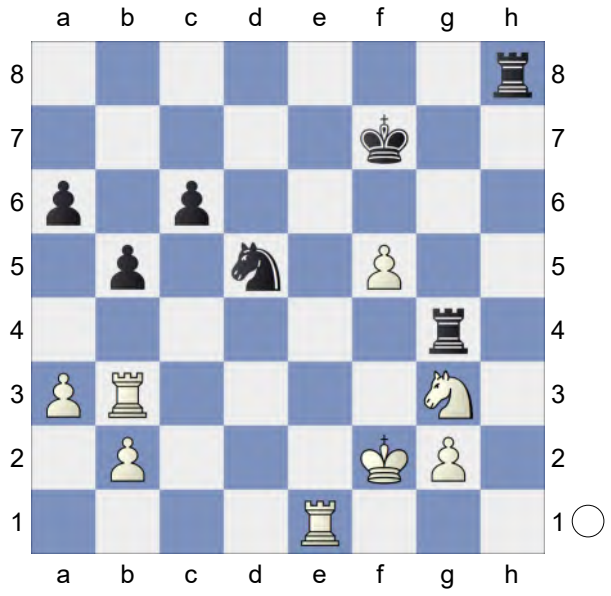
□ **Capablanca,Jose Raul**
■ **Kan,Ilia Abramovich**
Moscow (8) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D67: Queen's Gambit Declined: Classical Main Line with 9...Nd5 Inf 78/(32) This game was played a month after the previous one. **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 d5**
[3...c5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nxd4 Nc6 6.Ndb5 d5 7.Bf4 e5 8.cxd5 exf4 9.dxc6 bxc6 10.Qxd8+ Kxd8 11.Rd1+ Bd7 12.Nd6 Bxd6 13.Rxd6 Rb8 14.b3 Rb4 15.g3 Ke7 16.Rd2 h5 17.Bg2 h4 18.0-0 Georgiev,K (2677)-Topalov,V (2702) Sarajevo 78/(32) 2000]
4.Nf3
[4.Bf4 c6 5.c5 b6 6.b4 a5 7.a3 b5 8.e3 Be7 9.Bd3 0-0 10.h3 Nbd7 11.Nf3 Re8 12.0-0 Nf8 13.Ne5 Bd7 14.Qc2 Ng6 15.Bh2 Nf8 16.Rfb1 Rc8 17.a4 axb4 18.Rxb4 bxa4 1-0 Kamil'S Games-Plichta,K Lifetime Repertoires: Plichta's Queen's 2023]
4...Nbd7N
[4...c5 5.Bf4 cxd4 6.Nxd4 Nbd7 7.Qa4 Bc5 8.Nb3 0-0 9.Nxc5 Nxc5 10.Qa3 b6 11.Rd1 Bb7 12.e3 Qe7 13.Bg3 Rfd8 The Semi Tarrasch-5. Bf4 _5569 2021]
5.Bg5 Be7 6.e3 0-0 7.Rc1 c6 8.Bd3 dxc4 9.Bxc4 Nd5 10.Bxe7 Qxe7 11.0-0 N5b6 12.Bb3 e5 13.Ne4 h6 14.Qd3 Kh8 15.Ng3 White has more active pieces.
[15.dxe5 feels hotter. Nxe5 16.Nxe5 Qxe5 17.Qd6]
15...exd4 16.Bc2 White is better.
16...Nf6 Repels Qd3-h7+ **17.e4**
[17.exd4?! Be6=]
[17.Qxd4 Bg4=]
17...g6
[17...c5? 18.e5 Nbd5 19.exf6 Nxf6 20.Rfe1+-]
18.Qxd4
[But not 18.Nxd4 h5±]
18...Be6 19.h4 Rad8 20.Qc3 Kh7 21.Rfe1 Ng3-f5! would now be deadly.
21...Nbd7 22.Bb1 0.61/21
[22.h5± 1.09/19]
22...Rfe8 1.42/20
[22...Bg4± 0.61/21]



23.a3 0.73/20
[⌓23.e5! 1.42/20 Ng4 24.h5]
23...Bg4± 24.Nh2! h5 25.f3 Be6 26.f4 aiming for f4-f5. **26...Bg4** 1.19/20
[Black should try 26...Ng4± 0.65/21 27.Nf3 Qf6]
27.Qe3 Black must now prevent Qe3-f2!
27...a6 2.50/20
[27...Be6± 1.03/19]
28.Qf2+- Kg7 29.e5 Nd5 30.Nxg4 hxg4 31.h5 Threatens to win with h5xg6. **31...Rh8 32.hxg6** Deflection **32...fxg6 33.e6 Nf8** 5.06/20
[33...N7b6 2.76/19 34.f5 Rdf8

35.Qd4+ Qf6]
34.Bxg6 Decoy **34...Kxg6** 9.89/21
[⌓34...Qf6 4.78/20 35.e7 Nxg6]
35.Qc2+ Kf6 36.Qf5+ Kg7 37.Qxg4+ Kh7 38.Kf2? 0.96/24
[38.Nf5+- 12.55/23 Qf6 39.e7]
38...Qg7± 39.Qxg7+ Kxg7 40.e7 Re8 Strongly threatening ...Nf8-g6. **41.exf8Q+ Rexf8 42.f5 Rh4** Wards off Rc1-c4 **43.Rcd1↑** White has strong initiative. **43...Rf4+ 44.Kg1 Rg4 45.Rd3 Kf7 46.Kf2** 0.55/21
[46.Ne4± 1.17/21]
46...Rh8? 2.50/23
[46...Rfg8± 0.55/21]
47.Rb3 1.30/23
[47.Ne4+- 2.50/23]
47...b5 1.83/22
[47...Rf4+± 1.30/23 48.Kg1 b5]



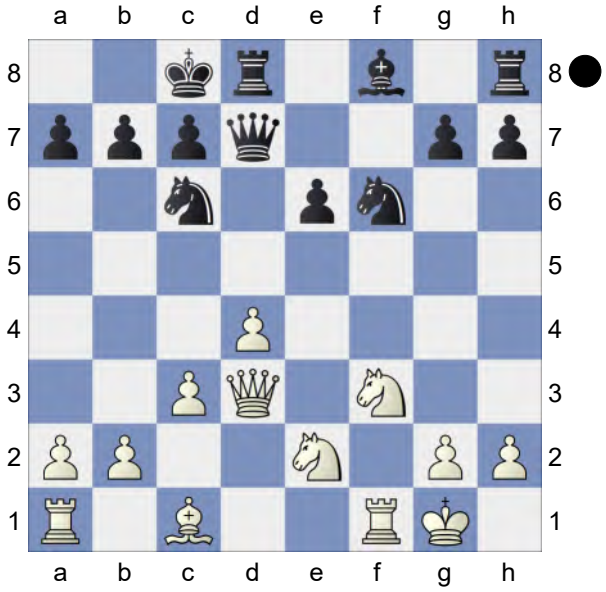
48.Ne4!+- Rh6 2.61/23
[⌓48...Rd8 1.92/21 49.Rg3 Rf4+ 50.Rf3 b4 51.Rxf4 Nxf4]
49.g3 Rg8 50.Kf3 1.49/21
[50.Rd3+- 2.60/20]
50...a5? 3.30/21
[50...Ne7± 1.49/21 51.Rd3 Nxf5]
51.Rd3 a4 52.Rd2 Weighted Error Value: White=0.33/Black=0.48
1-0

B03

□ **Stahlberg,Gideon**
■ **Lilienthal,Andor**
Moscow (8) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

B03: Alekhine's Defence: Four Pawns Attack **1.e4 Nf6 2.e5 Nd5 3.d4 d6 4.f4 dxe5 5.fxe5 Nc6** 0.46/20
[5...Bf5= -0.14/20 6.Nf3 c5 7.Bb5+ Nc6 8.c4 Nc7 9.0-0 e6 10.Bxc6+ bxc6 11.Qa4 Qd7 12.Be3 a5 13.Nc3 Na6 14.Rad1 Be7 15.dxc5 Qc7 16.Rd6 Bxd6 17.cxd6 Qd7 18.Qxa5 0-0 19.Na4 Qb7 20.Qb6 Qd7 1-0 Kupreichik,V (2490)-Alburt,L (2510) URS-ch46 First League Ashkhabad 1978 (16)]
6.c3 Bf5 7.Bd3 Qd7N
[7...Bxd3 8.Qxd3 Qd7 9.Nf3 0-0-0 10.0-0 f6 11.Nbd2 Nf4 12.Qe4 Qg4 13.g3 g5 14.exf6 exf6 15.Kh1 f5 16.Qe3 Nh3 17.Qe6+ Kb8 18.d5 *(18.Nc4 Bd6 19.Ne3* 03/03 2000) 18...Bc5 19.dxc6 Nf2+ 20.Rxf2 Bxf2 21.Kg2 Bb6 22.h3 ½-½ Tal,M-Jung It (open) Moscow (Russia) 1991 Qh5 23.Qxf5 h6 24.Nc4 Rhf8 25.Qe4 Rde8 26.g4 Rxe4 27.gxh5 Rxc4 28.Ne5 Rf2+ 29.Kg3 Rcf4 30.Bxf4 gxf4+ 31.Kg4 Be3 32.Rd1 bxc6 33.Nxc6+ Kb7 34.Na5+ Kc8 35.Nc4 Rg2+ 36.Kf5 Rg5+ 37.Ke4 ½-½ B223 Dxe6-Tarrasch Gambit with 7.Nf3 96/(378) Wijk aan Zee 2006]
8.Ne2 -0.20/21
[8.Bxf5 0.16/20 was preferrable. Qxf5 9.Nf3]

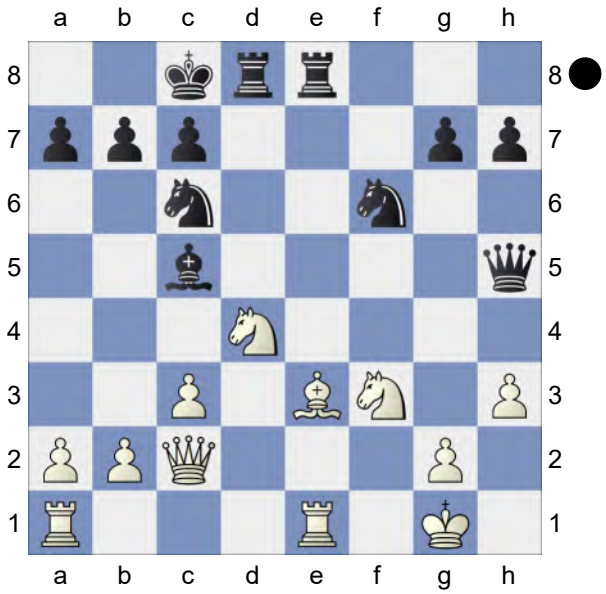
8...Bxd3= 9.Qxd3 e6 0.15/20
[⌓9...f6 -0.27/21]
10.0-0 0-0-0 11.Nd2 f6 12.exf6 Nxf6 13.Nf3 -0.57/22
[13.Nb3= 0.17/19]

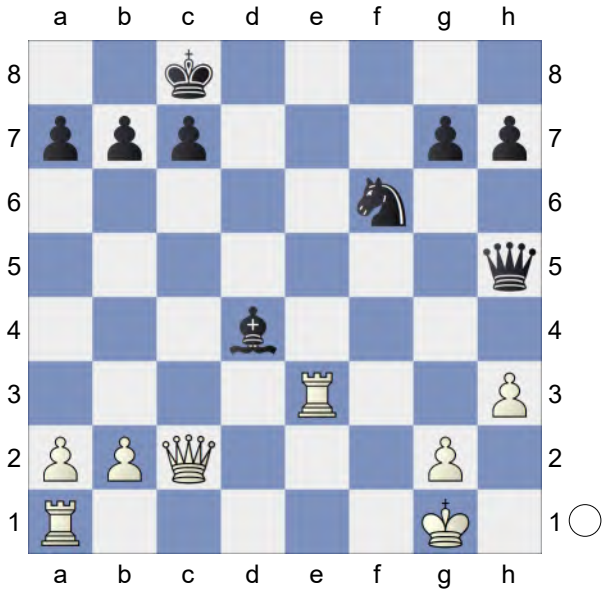


13...e5!∓ ...e5-e4 is the strong threat.
14.Qc2 exd4 15.Nexd4 Bc5 16.Rd1 -1.19/19
[16.Bg5∓ -0.54/19]
16...Qg4 -0.30/20
[16...Rhf8∓ -1.19/19 White must now prevent ...h7-h6. 17.a3 Rde8]
17.h3 Qh5
[17...Bxd4+ 18.Nxd4 Nxd4 19.Rxd4±]
[17...Nxd4? 18.cxd4 Rxd4 19.Nxd4 *(19.Qxc5? Rxd1+ 20.Kh2 Qg3+* Decoy *21.Kxg3 Ne4+ 22.Kh2 Nxc5-+; 19.hxg4 Rc4++-)* 19...Bxd4+ 20.Kh1+-]
18.Be3 Rhe8 19.Re1

(Diagram)

Rxe3? 2.02/21 **20.Rxe3+- Rxd4 21.cxd4 Nxd4 22.Nxd4 Bxd4**
(Diagram)





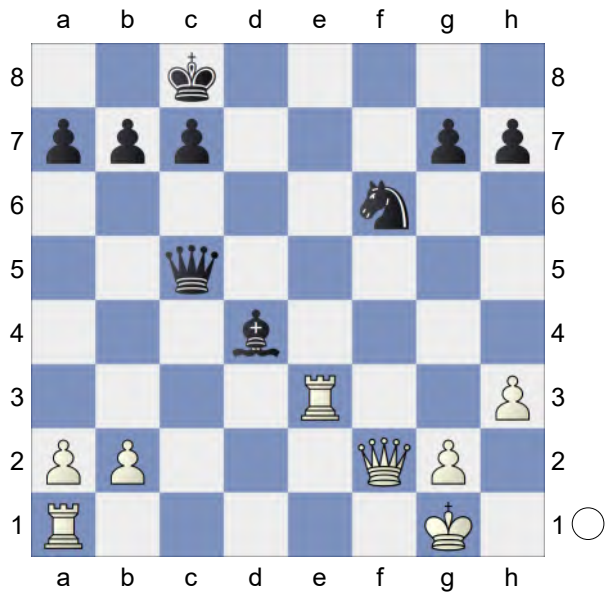
23.Qf2 Qc5

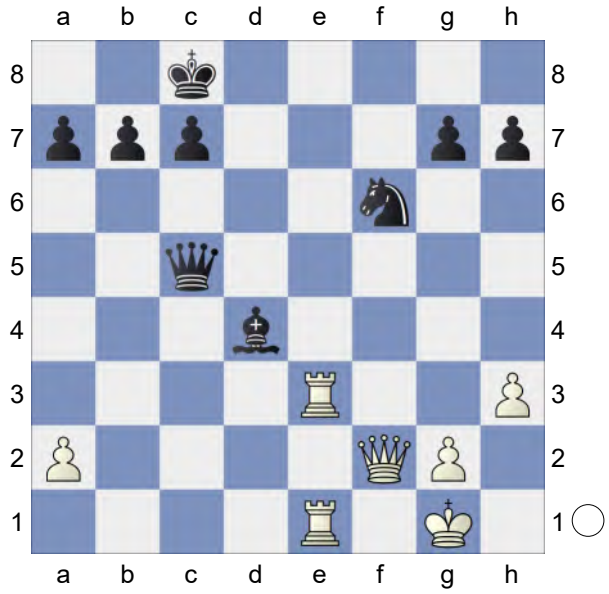
(Diagram)

24.b4! 0.66/23 **Qxb4± 25.Rae1 Qc5**

(Diagram)

Wards off Qf2-f5+ **26.Kh1! Bxe3**
[26...b6 27.Qf3]
27.Rxe3± Endgame. Strongly threatening Re3-e8+! KQR-KQN **27...b6 28.Qe2** White has strong compensation.





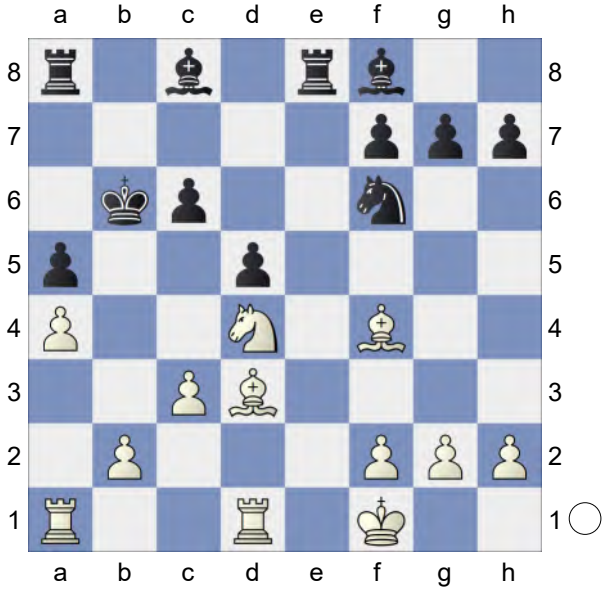
28...Kb7 29.Qf3+ Qd5 30.Qe2 0.01/21
[30.Re7± 1.14/22 Qxf3 31.gxf3]
30...Qc5= 31.Re7 Qc1+ 1.84/24
[31...Qd4± 1.10/22 was called for.]
32.Kh2+- Qf4+ 2.10/24
[32...Qg5± 1.43/23 33.Qf3+ Nd5]
33.g3 Qg5 34.Re5 1.27/23
[34.h4+- 2.66/22 Qf5 35.Rxg7]
34...Qg6± 35.Qf3+ Kb8 36.Re7 White is more active. **36...h5** 1.63/24
[36...Qg5± 0.98/22 was necessary. 37.Rf7 Qd2+ 38.Qg2 Qd6]
37.Qc3↑ Black is under strong pressure.
[Don't blunder 37.Qc6? Ng4+ 38.hxg4 Qxc6-+]
37...Ne8 4.54/25
[37...Nd5 1.78/22 38.Rxg7 *(38.Qxg7? loses. Qc2+ 39.Kh1 Qb1+ 40.Kg2 Qxa2+ 41.Kf1 Nxe7-+)* 38...Qd6 39.Rg8+ Kb7]
38.h4 Kc8 39.Qf3 Kd8 40.Rf7 Qe6 #4/10 Weighted Error Value: White=0.27 (precise) /Black=0.35
[40...c6+- 4.16/24 41.Qf4 *(41.Rxa7 Kc8+-)* 41...Nd6 42.Rxa7 Qc2+ 43.Kh3 Qf5+ 44.Qxf5 Nxf5]
1-0

C47

□ **Spielmann,Rudolf**
■ **Lasker,Emanuel**
Moscow (8) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

C47: Scotch Four Knights and Four Knights with 4 g3 The year is 1972, Olga had taken an interest in correspondence chess. This game was part of the first International Correspondence Chess Federation's women's world correspondence chess championship. As you can see from the following game, Olga has not lost her penchant for tactics and aggression. **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 Bb4 6.Nxc6 bxc6 7.Bd3 d5 8.exd5 Qe7+N**
[8...cxd5 9.0-0 0-0 10.Bg5 Be6 11.Nb5 Be7 12.Nd4 Re8 13.Bb5 Rf8 14.Nc6 Qd6 15.Qd4 Kh8 16.Rfe1 Qc5 17.Bxf6 gxf6 18.Qh4 Rg8 19.Bd3 Rg7 20.Nxe7 Qxe7 21.Re5 Qd8 22.Rh5 f5 23.Qd4 1-0 5) Olga The Fourth-Rubtsova,O Queens of the Chess Board 2023]

9.Qe2 Qxe2+ 10.Kxe2 cxd5 11.Nb5 Kd8 12.Rd1 c6 13.c3 Strongly threatening Nb5xa7. **13...Re8+ 14.Kf1** White is slightly better. **14...Bf8 15.Nd4 Kc7 16.Bf4+**
[16.c4 simplifies a5 17.Bg5 Bc5 18.Bxf6 gxf6 19.Nb3]
16...Kb6 0.97/20
[16...Bd6± 0.31/21 17.Bxd6+ Kxd6]
17.a4± White is more active. **17...a5?** 3.25/21
[17...Kb7± 0.86/19 is a better defense.]



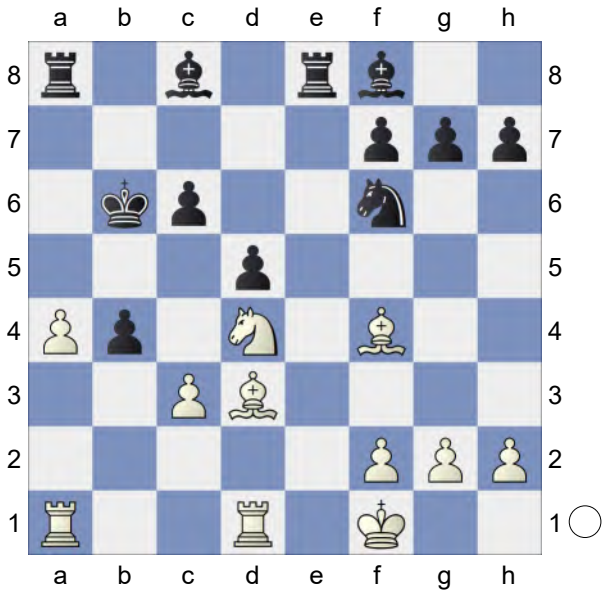
18.b4!+- axb4
[18...Bd7 19.bxa5+]

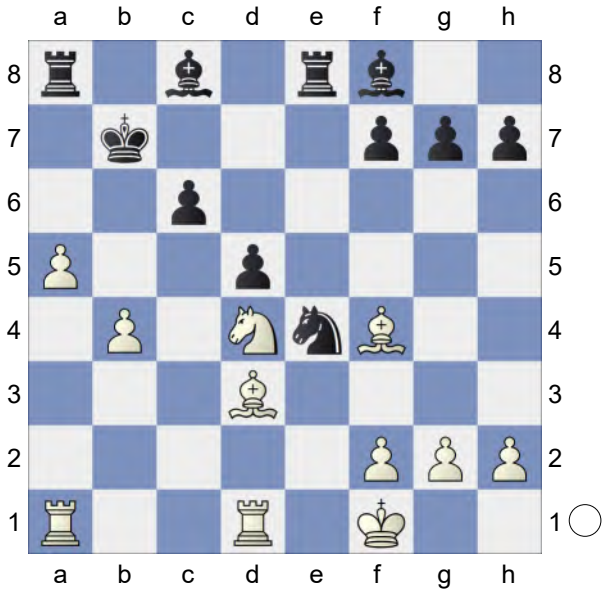
(Diagram)

19.a5+! Kb7 20.cxb4 Ne4? 6.17/20
[20...Bd7 2.73/22 21.Rdb1 h5 22.a6+ Kb6]

(Diagram)

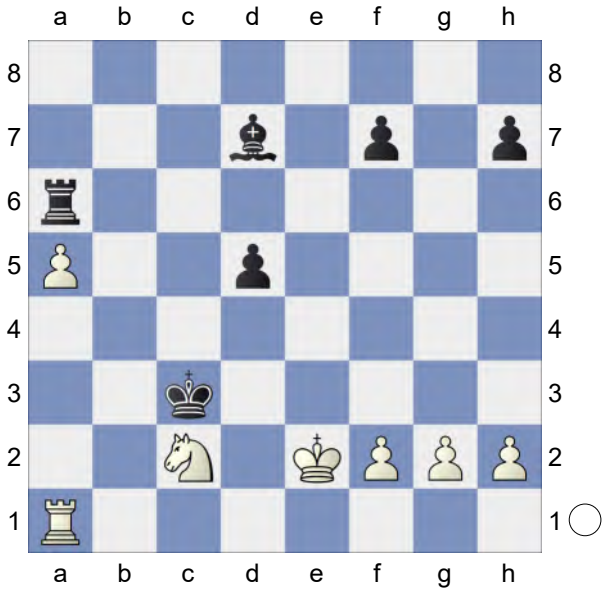
21.Nxc6? 2.14/22 **g5 22.Bxe4**





Deflection **22...Rxe4 23.Nd8+**
[23.Bxg5 Kxc6 24.b5+ Kxb5 25.Rxd5+ Ka6∓]
23...Ka6 24.Bxg5 Be6 25.Nc6 Bg7 26.Rac1 Rc4 27.Be3 1.04/22
[White should play 27.Rxc4+- 1.83/20 dxc4 28.Nd8]
27...Kb5± 28.Na7+ Kxb4? 2.77/22
[28...Ka4± 1.05/23]
29.Bb6? -0.01/21
[29.Rb1++- 2.77/22 Ka3 30.Rd2 Rxa7 31.Bxa7]
29...Rc3? 1.56/21

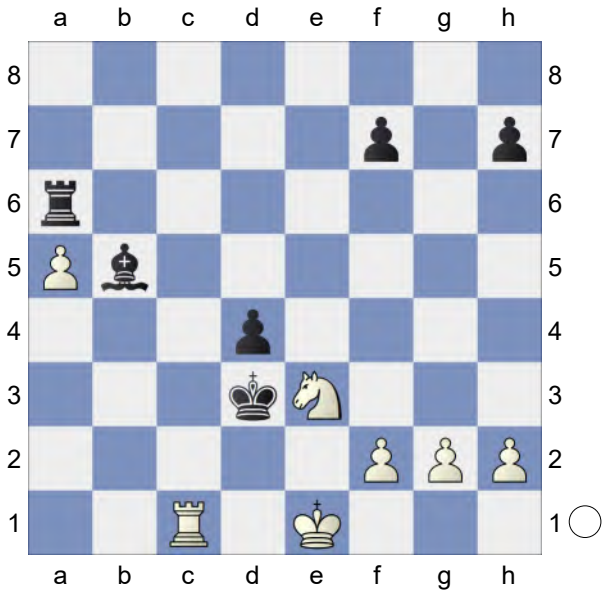
[Better is 29...Bf5= -0.01/21]
30.Rb1+ Rb3 31.Nc6+ Ka4 32.Bd4 Rxb1 33.Rxb1 Bxd4 2.04/22
[33...Bd7± 1.03/22]
34.Nxd4 Endgame. KRB-KRN **34...Ra6 35.Ra1+** 1.03/5
[35.Rb7+- 2.46/20]
35...Kb4 36.Ke2 Bd7 37.Nc2+ 0.70/24
[37.Kd3± 1.56/24]
37...Kc3±



38.Ne3 -0.01/25
[White should try 38.Kd1!± 0.80/23]
38...Bb5+ 39.Ke1 And now Ra1-c1+ would win. **39...d4** 0.67/22
[39...Bc4!= 0.00/25]
40.Rc1+! Kd3

(Diagram)

41.Rd1+ 0.01/29 Weighted Error Value: White=0.50/Black=0.57
[41.Rc5!± 0.84/27]
½-½

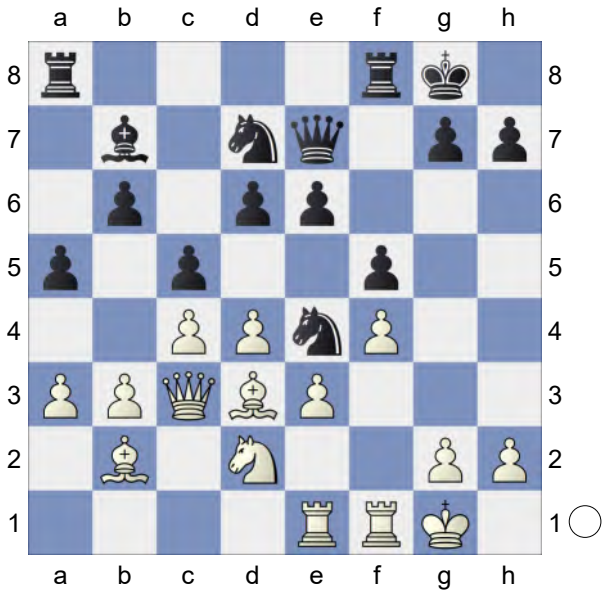


A10

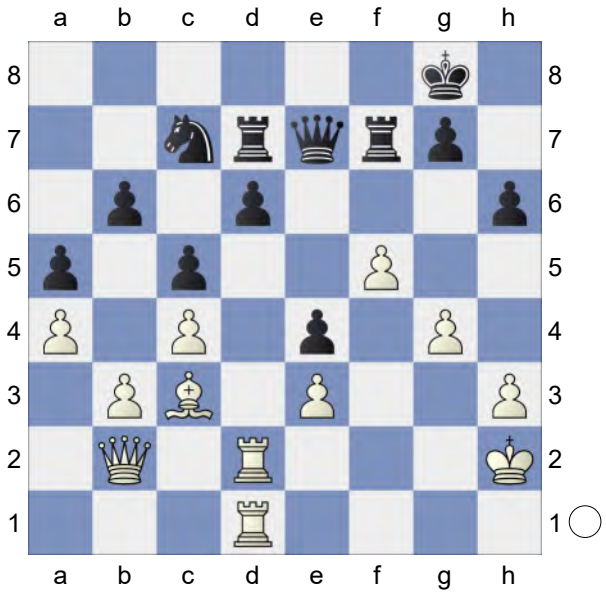
□ **Romanovsky,Peter Arsenievich**
■ **Ragozin,Viacheslav**
Moscow (8) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A10: English Opening: Unusual Replies for Black **1.Nf3 e6 2.c4 f5 3.b3 Nf6 4.Bb2 Be7 5.e3 0-0 6.Qc2N**
[6.Nc3 d6 7.d4
A) 7...Qe8 8.Qc2 Nc6 *(8...Qg6 9.h4 Nc6 10.0-0-0 e5 11.dxe5 dxe5 12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.cxd5 Nb4 14.Nxe5* 7b) The Classical Dutch-Classical Dutch: 7...Qe8 #4 Lifetime Repertoires: Modern Reti - Par 2024 *)* 9.a3 e5 10.h3 e4 11.Nd2 7b) The Classical Dutch-Classical Dutch: 7...Qe8 #3 Lifetime Repertoires: Modern Reti - Par 2024;
B) 7...Ne4 8.Bd3 Nxc3 9.Bxc3 Nd7 10.e4 Nf6 11.exf5 exf5 12.0-0 Ne4 13.Bb2 7b) The Classical Dutch-Classical Dutch Ne4 Lifetime Repertoires:

Modern Reti - Par 2024]
6...b6 7.Nc3 Bb7 8.d4 White is slightly better. **8...a5 9.Bd3 Bb4** 0.62/21
[9...Na6= 0.26/20]
10.a3 Bxc3+ 11.Qxc3 Qe7 12.0-0 d6 13.Nd2 Nbd7 14.f4 0.07/20
[14.f3± 0.61/19]
14...c5 0.81/19
[14...Qf7= 0.07/20 remains equal.]
15.Rae1 0.13/20
[15.d5!± 0.81/19]
15...Ne4 0.75/23
[15...d5= 0.13/20]



16.Nxe4!± Bxe4 17.Bxe4 fxe4 18.Rd1 Rf7 1.50/21
[⌓18...Rad8 0.79/21]
19.Rd2 0.80/22
[⌓19.Qc2 1.50/21]
19...Nf6 20.Rfd1 aiming for d4xc5.
20...Ne8 1.63/22
[20...d5± 0.85/20]
21.Qc2 Qb7 22.d5 1.18/23
[22.a4+- 1.69/21]
22...exd5 23.Rxd5 Qe7 1.81/23
[23...b5± 1.20/23]
24.a4+- Ra7 1.98/24
[24...Rd8± 1.57/21 25.Be5 Qe6]
25.h3 Qe6 26.g4 Rad7 27.Kh2 Nc7 28.R5d2 1.10/20
[28.f5?! Qe7±]
[28.Rg5+- 1.74/19]
28...Na6± 29.Bc3 h6 1.78/20
[29...Nc7± 1.23/19 keeps fighting. 30.Rf2 *(30.f5 Qe7±)* 30...d5]
30.Qb2 1.36/19
[30.Rd5+- 1.78/20]
30...Nc7? 3.53/21
[30...Rf8± 1.36/19 was necessary. 31.Rh1 Nc7]
31.f5+- Qe7



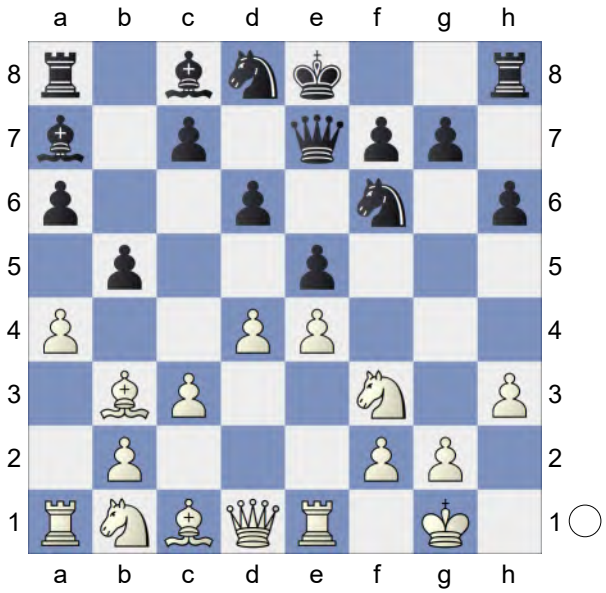
32.Be5! 1.68/21 **Ne8**
[32...h5 33.Bxd6]
33.Rd5 1.08/21
[33.Bf4+- 1.61/22]
33...h5± 34.Qg2
[34.gxh5?! Rxf5 35.Bf4 Rxd5 36.Rxd5 Nc7=]
34...Qd8 1.60/24
[Black should try 34...hxg4 1.02/23 35.Qxg4 Nf6 36.Bxf6 Qxf6]
35.Bb2 1.06/23 White has more active pieces.
[⌓35.Ba1 1.60/24]
35...hxg4 36.Qxg4
[36.Qxe4 Qh4 37.Qxe8+ Kh7=]

36...Nf6 37.Bxf6 Qxf6 38.Qxe4 Rde7 39.Qf4 0.09/24
[39.Qd3± 0.88/23]
39...Qb2+
[39...Re5 simplifies 40.Rxd6 Qxf5 41.Qxf5 Rexf5 42.R1d2 Re5]
40.R1d2⇄ White is not keeping still
40...Qxb3 41.R5d3
[Much weaker is 41.Qxd6 Rxe3 42.Qd8+ Rf8∓]
41...Qxa4 42.Rxd6 Rd7
[Don't blunder 42...Qe8? 43.Rd8+- *(43.Rxb6 Rb7±)*]
43.Qe4 Rde7 #8/18
[43...Rxd6= -0.01/24 44.Rxd6 Rf8]
44.Rd8+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.26 (precise) /Black=0.42
1-0

C78

□ **Rabinovich,Ilya Leontievich**
■ **Bohatirchuk,Fedor Parfenovich**
Moscow (8) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

C78: Ruy Lopez: Archangelsk and Möller Defences **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 Bc5 6.c3 Ba7N**
[6...0-0 7.d4 Bb6 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bh4 d6 10.h3 g5 11.Nxg5 hxg5 12.Bxg5 Kg7 Reference Games-1-0 Nepomniachtchi,I *(12...Kh7 13.Bxc6 Rg8 14.f4 bxc6 15.Qe1 Rxg5 16.fxg5 Ng8 17.Rxf7+ Kg6 18.Rf3 exd4 19.Kh1 Qe7 20.Nd2 dxc3 21.bxc3 Be6 22.Qh4 Qh7 23.Qg3 Qh5 24.Qf4 Kg7 25.Raf1 Re8 26.Qg3 Ne7 27.Rf6* 1-0 Nepomniachtchi,I (2784)-Caruana,F (2835) Chessable Masters GpB chess24.com INT rapid 2020 (7) *)*]
[6...b5 7.Bb3 *(7.Bc2 d5 8.d4 dxe4 9.Nxe5 Nxe5 10.dxe5 Qxd1 11.Rxd1 Ng4 12.Bxe4 Nxf2 13.Bc6+ Ke7 14.Rd5 Bb6 15.Bxa8 Be6 16.Rd4 Nd3 17.Bg5+ f6 18.Be4 Nxe5 19.Be3 Ng4 20.Bf2 Rd8 21.Nd2 Nxf2* 1-0 Sypien,N (1780)-Turek,M (1681) Polanica Zdroj op-B 58th 2022 (4)*)* 7...d6 8.d4 Bb6 9.Be3 Bg4 10.Nbd2 h6 11.h3 Bd7 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Bxb6 cxb6 14.Nd4 0-0 15.f4 Nc6 16.Bc2 Re8 17.Qf3 Rc8 18.Qd3 Nxd4 19.Qxd4 Qc7 20.Rad1 Bc6 21.Rfe1 ½-½ Zelcic,R (2495)-Mainka,R (2366) Bundesliga 2223 Germany 2022 (10.4)]
7.Re1 d6 8.d4 b5 9.Bb3 White has an edge. **9...Qe7** 0.62/18
[9...exd4= 0.22/18 10.cxd4 Bg4]
10.h3 h6 11.a4 Nd8? 2.35/20
[11...0-0± 0.70/19]

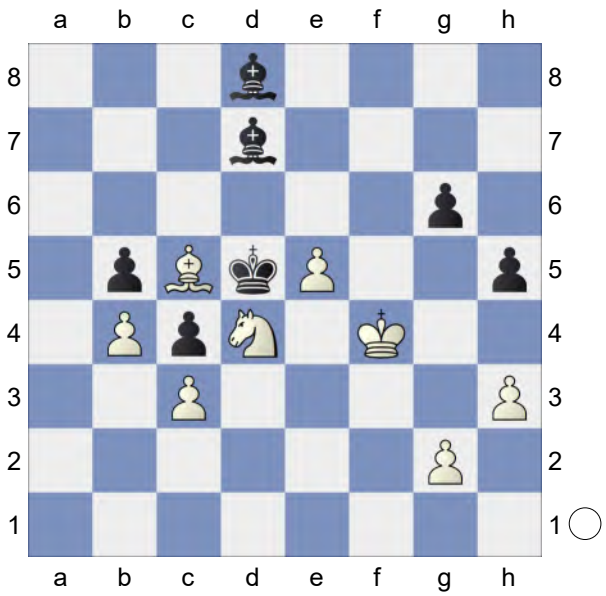


12.dxe5 dxe5 13.axb5 axb5 2.20/21
[⌓13...g5 1.77/18 14.Be3 *(14.bxa6 g4±)* 14...Bxe3]
14.Be3+- c5 15.Bd5 Nxd5 16.Qxd5 Bb7 17.Qxe5 Qxe5 18.Nxe5 Ne6 19.f3 Nb1-a3 is the strong threat.

19...Bb8 20.Rxa8 Bxa8 21.Nd3 Bd6 22.Na3 Bc6 23.Nc2 1.32/20
[23.c4+- 1.87/23]
23...Kd7 24.Ra1 1.04/23
[24.b4+- 1.64/22 cxb4 25.Ndxb4]
24...Ra8± 25.Rxa8 Bxa8 26.b4 c4 27.Nc1 h5 28.Ne2 Bb7 29.Ncd4 Nxd4 30.Nxd4 Endgame. KBB-KBN
30...Ba6 31.Kf2 g6 32.Ne2 Bc7 33.Bc5 1.01/22
[White should try 33.g4 1.38/22]
33...Bb7 34.Nd4 Ba6 1.78/24
[34...Bc6± 0.98/24 was called for. 35.g3 Be5 36.Nxc6 Kxc6]
35.Ke3 1.16/23
[35.g3+- 1.78/24]
35...Be5 36.Ne2
[Don't take 36.f4 Bf6±]
36...Bb7 37.Bd4 Bc7 38.Bg7 1.04/24
[White should play 38.g4+- 1.68/24]
38...Ke7 39.Bd4 0.01/25
[39.Nd4± 1.04/23 Ba6 40.Bh6]
39...Bc6 0.95/26
[39...Kd7!= 0.01/25]
40.Bc5+ Kd8 41.Kd4 f6 42.Ba7 Black must now prevent Kd4-c5.
42...Kc8 43.Ke3 Kd8 44.Nd4 Bd7 45.f4 Ke7 46.Nf3 Kf7 47.Bd4 Bc8 48.e5 0.48/26
[Better is 48.Bc5± 0.95/24]
48...fxe5± 49.fxe5 Ke6 50.Kf4 Bd8 51.Bc5 Bd7 52.Nd4+ 0.01/27
[52.Bf8± 0.73/24]
52...Kd5=

(Diagram)

The position is equal. **53.e6!** Deflection **53...Bxe6 54.Nxb5 g5+ 55.Ke3 g4 56.hxg4 Bg5+ 57.Kf2 Bxg4 58.Be3 Bh4+ 59.g3 Bf6 60.Bd4 Bd7 61.Nc7+ Kc6** Blacks defense is rewarded with a draw. Weighted Error Value: White=0.



18 (very precise) /Black=0.19 (very precise)
½-½

D35

□ **Menchik,Vera**
■ **Pirc,Vasja**
Moscow (8) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D35: Queen's Gambit Declined: Exchange Variation **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3 e6 5.cxd5 exd5 6.Qc2 Be7 7.Bf4**
[7.Bg5 g6 8.e3 Bf5 9.Bd3 Bxd3 10.Qxd3 Nbd7 11.Bh6 Bf8 12.Bxf8 Kxf8 13.b4 Kg7 14.0-0 Qe7 15.Qc2 Rhe8 16.b5 cxb5 17.Qb3 Qe6 18.Qxb5 Rec8 19.Ne2 Rc7 20.Rac1 Rac8 21.h3 Qb6 0-1 Rogers,I (2595)-Gurevich,M (2605) Interzonal-16 Biel 1993 (4)]
7...0-0 8.h3
[8.e3 Nh5 9.Be5 Nd7 10.Bg3 Nxg3 11.hxg3 g6 12.Bd3 Nf6 13.0-0-0 Bd6 14.Kb1 Qe7 15.Rh4 b5 16.e4 b4 17.e5 bxc3 18.Qxc3 Rb8

19.exd6 Qxd6 20.Ne5 Rb6 21.Qc5 Qb8 22.Rd2 Nd7 1-0 Wu,D (2232)-Makarian,R (2550) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early Chess.com INT blitz 2024 (3)]

8...Re8N

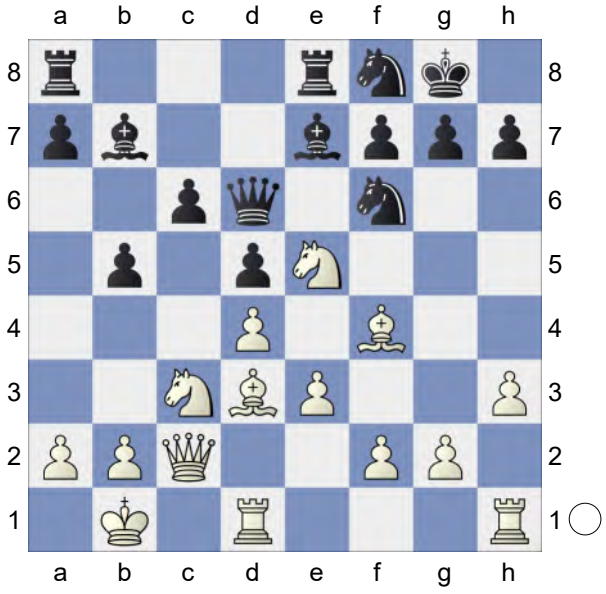
[8...g6 9.e3 Bf5 10.Bd3 Bxd3 11.Qxd3 Bd6 12.0-0 Re8 13.Ne5 Qe7 14.Rab1 a5 15.Rfc1 Nbd7 16.Nxd7 Qxd7 17.Bxd6 Qxd6 18.Na4 h5 19.Rc2 Kg7 20.Qa3 Ne4 21.Nc5 Qe7 22.Nxe4 Qxe4 23.Rbc1 ½-½ Berkes,F (2645)-Fodor,T (2506) HUN-ch 70th Budapest 2022 (2)]

9.e3 Nbd7 10.Bd3 Nf8 11.0-0-0 b5 12.Ne5 Bb7 0.60/21

[12...Qb6= 0.17/21]

13.Kb1 Qd6? 2.85/22

[13...a6= 0.29/19]



14.Rc1? 0.76/21

[14.Nxf7+- 2.85/22 Qe6 15.Ng5]

14...Ne6? 2.66/23

[14...Qd8± 0.76/21 was necessary.]

15.Bh2 1.40/21

[15.Nxf7+- 2.66/23 Qb4 16.a3]

15...a6 2.77/22

[15...Qd8± 1.40/21 is a better defense.]

16.Ng4 1.39/21

[White should play 16.Nxf7+- 2.77/22 Qb4 17.a3]

16...h6? 8.31/23

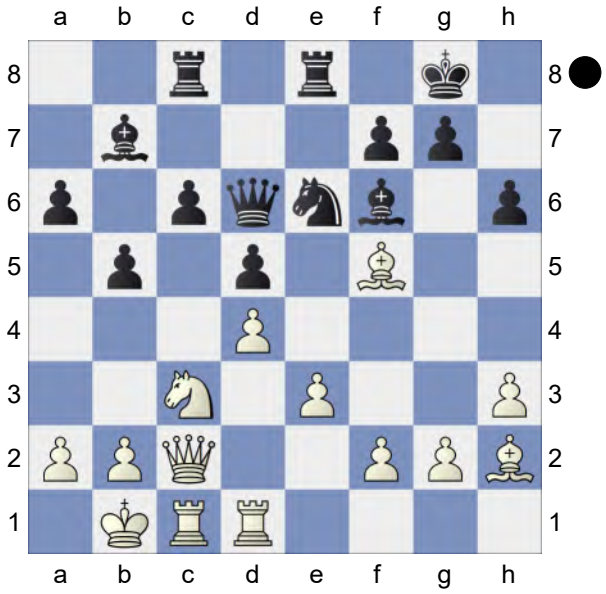
[16...Qd8± 1.39/21]

17.Rhd1? 0.59/21

[White should try 17.Nxf6++- 8.31/23 gxf6 18.Bxd6 Bxd6 19.Qd1]

17...Rac8? 8.41/23 **18.Nxf6++- Bxf6 19.Bf5??** -2.52/21

[19.Bxd6+- 9.37/21 avoids the disaster. Rcd8 20.Bb4 *(20.Bh7+ Kh8+-)*]



19...c5?? 8.94/20 **20.dxc5??** -4.60/21

[20.Bxd6+- 8.94/20 c4 21.Be5 *(21.Bxe6 Rxe6 22.Bb4 Bg5+-)* 21...Bxe5 22.dxe5]

20...Rxc5?? 9.25/22

[20...Qxh2-+ -4.60/21 21.g3 d4 *(21...Rxc5? 22.Rh1-+)* 22.exd4 Nxd4 23.Bxc8 Bxc8 *(23...Nxc2? 24.Bxb7 Nd4 25.Ne4-+; 23...Rxc8? 24.Qd3-+)*]

21.Bxe6?? -2.31/21

[21.Bxd6+- 9.25/22 and life is good for White. Rc6 22.Bb4 *(22.Rxd5*

Rxc3 23.bxc3 Bxd5+-; 22.Bxe6 Rxe6 23.Bb4 Rc4+-)]

21...Qxe6-+

[Don't do 21...Qxh2 22.Bxd5 Bxd5 23.Rxd5]

22.Qd2 -3.34/19

[⌓22.Qd3 -2.21/21]

22...Rec8 -1.71/20

[⌓22...Rc4 -3.34/19 aiming for ...d5-d4. 23.f3 Bg5 *(23...Qxe3? 24.Qxe3 Rxe3 25.Bg1-+)*]

23.Bf4? -4.66/22

[23.f3 -1.71/20 was the only chance.]

23...b4 Black is clearly winning. **24.Ne2 Qe4+ 25.Qd3 Rxc1+**

[Resist 25...Qxg2 26.Rxc5 Rxc5 27.Nd4-+]

26.Nxc1 Qxg2 Weighted Error Value: White=2.00/Black=1.02

0-1

A31

□ **Levenfish,Grigory**
■ **Lisitsin,Georgy**
Moscow (8) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A31: Symmetrical English: 2 Nf3 Nf6 3 d4 **1.c4 Nf6 2.Nc3 c5 3.Nf3**

[3.e4 Nc6 4.g3 e6 5.Bg2 d5 6.cxd5 exd5 7.Nxd5 Nxd5 8.exd5 Nb4 9.Ne2 Bf5 10.d3 Nxd3+ 11.Kf1 Bd6 12.Be3 0-0 13.g4 Bg6 14.h4 Re8 15.Qd2 Ne5 16.h5 Nc4 17.Qc3 Nxe3+ 1-0 Duda,J (2732)-Keymer,V (2690) Berlin Armageddon Euro&Africa W 2023 (2.1)]

3...g6N

[3...d5 4.cxd5 Nxd5 5.e3 e6 6.Qc2 Nc6 7.a3 Be7 8.Be2 0-0 9.0-0 b6 10.d3 Bb7 11.Bd2 Rc8 12.Qa4 Qd7 13.b4 cxb4 14.Nxd5 Qxd5 15.e4 Qa5 16.Qb3 Qb5 17.Rfe1 Na5 18.Qb2 ½-½ Djuric,S-Rashkovski ENG-NED 2019 ICCF]

[3...Nc6 4.g3 g6 5.Bg2 Bg7 6.0-0 0-0 7.a3 d6 8.e4 Bg4 9.h3 Bd7 10.d3 a6 11.Rb1 Rb8 12.b4 cxb4 13.axb4 Qc8 14.Nd5 Bxh3 15.Bg5 Bxg2 16.Kxg2 h6 17.Bxf6 Bxf6 18.Nxf6+ 0-1 Schoeneberg,M (2006)-Sicilian D6 Various (2169) (ol) 10/828 Siegen 1970 (10) exf6 19.d4 f5 20.exf5 Qxf5 21.b5 axb5 22.Rxb5 Qf6 23.Qd2 Kg7 24.Rfb1 Rfc8 25.Rxb7 Rxb7 26.Rxb7 g5 27.Qc3 g4 28.Nh4 Kg8 29.Rb5 Qxd4 30.Qxd4 Nxd4 31.Rd5 Rxc4 32.Rxd6 Ne6 33.Nf5 0-1 Rieu,J (2006)-Roux,O (2169) FRA-chT2 France 2002 (10)]

4.d4 cxd4 5.Nxd4 Bg7 6.e4 d6 7.Be2 0-0 8.0-0 Nbd7 9.Be3 Nc5 10.f3 b6 11.Qd2 Bb7 12.Rfd1 Ne6 White is better. **13.Rac1 Qd7 14.Ndb5 Ne8 15.Nd5 N8c7 16.Nbc3** White has more active pieces. **16...Nxd5 17.cxd5 Nc7 18.a4 Ba6** Against Nc3-b5 **19.b4! Bxe2 20.Nxe2 Na6 21.Nd4 Bxd4 22.Qxd4** Hoping for Be3-h6.

[22.Bxd4?! Qxa4 23.Ra1 Qb5=]

22...Rfc8 1.83/23

[22...f6± 1.32/21]

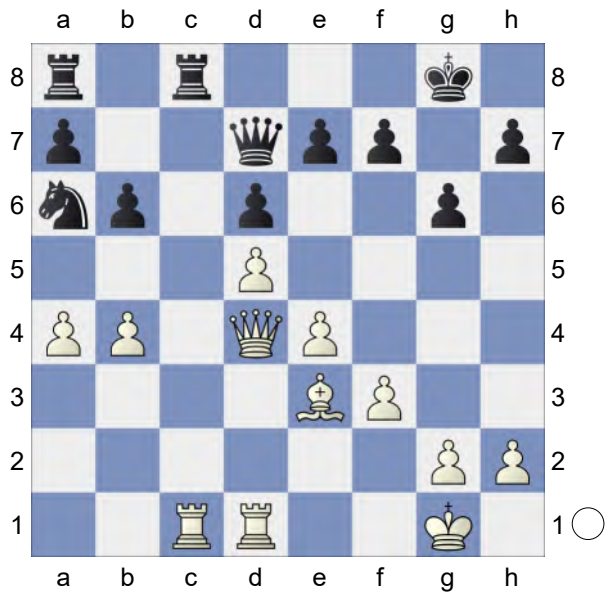
(Diagram)

23.Rc6!+- Rxc6 24.dxc6 Qe6 Black is weak on the dark squares

[24...Qxc6? is the wrong capture. 25.b5 Qc5 26.bxa6+-]

25.Qc3→ Inhibits Qe6-b3. White wants a kill. **25...Nc7 26.Ra1 Rc8 27.Qd3** 1.35/22

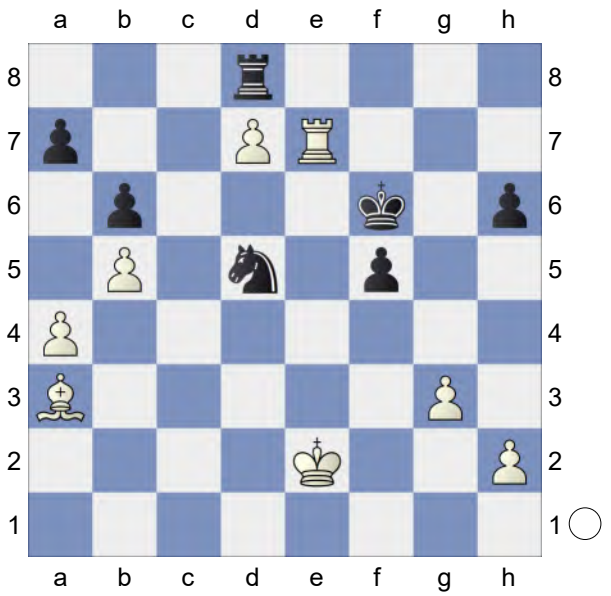
[White should play 27.h3+- 1.75/23]



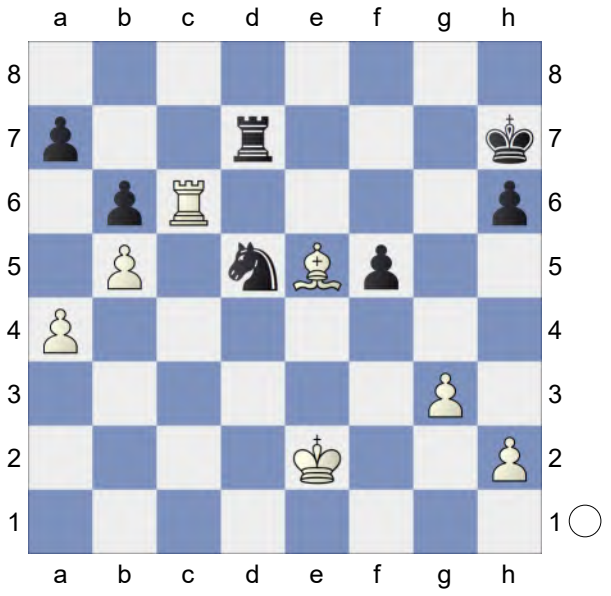
27...d5 1.87/23
[27...Qf6± 1.35/22 28.Bd4 e5]
28.Rc1 1.33/21
[28.b5+- 1.87/23]
28...f5 2.64/23
[28...Qd6± 1.33/21]
29.Bf4 Bf4xc7 would now be deadly.
29...dxe4 30.fxe4 Ne8 31.exf5 gxf5 32.b5 Kf7 33.Rf1 Ng7? 5.64/20
[33...Nf6 2.62/21 34.Bg3 Qe4 35.Qxe4 fxe4]
34.Bd2 Rf8? 7.33/21
[34...Qd6 3.67/21 35.Qxd6 exd6]
35.Re1 Qc8 36.Bb4 Re8 37.Qd7? 1.20/23
[37.Bc3+- 6.55/23]
37...Qxd7± 38.cxd7 Endgame. KRB-KRN **38...Rd8 39.Rxe7+ Kf6 40.Kf2** aiming for Kf2-e3. **40...h6 41.g3 Ne6 42.Ke2** 1.09/23
[White should try 42.Ke3+- 2.15/23]
42...Nc7 43.Ba3 Nd5

(Diagram)

44.Re8
[Don't blunder 44.Rh7? Kg6 45.Be7 Rxd7-+]



44...Rxd7 45.Bb2+ Kg6 46.Re6+ Kh7 47.Be5 Nc7 3.08/25
[⌓47...Nb4 1.78/24 48.Bf4 Nd5]
48.Rc6+-
[48.Rf6 Re7+-]
48...Nd5



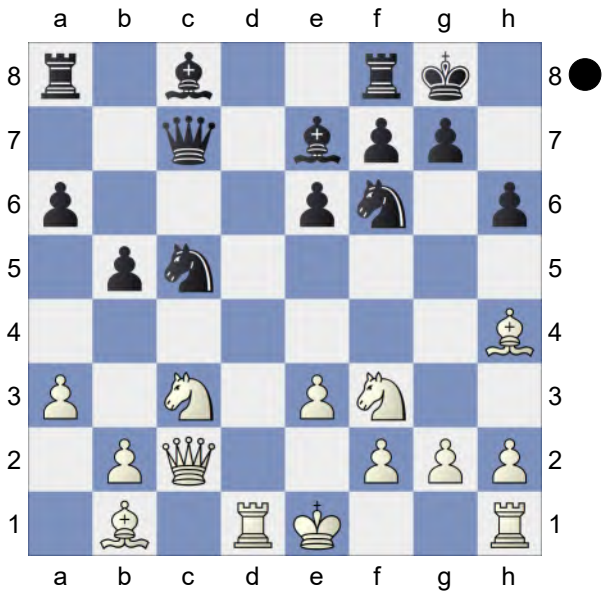
49.Kf3 1.43/24
[White has to play 49.Kd3!+- 2.41/24]
49...Re7 1.81/23
[49...h5± 1.43/24 is a better defense. 50.Bb8 Kg7]
50.Bf4 Nxf4? 3.55/26
[50...Re4 1.76/25]

51.Kxf4 KR-KR **51...Rf7 52.h4 Rg7 53.h5**
[Weaker is 53.Kxf5 h5 54.Rd6 *(54.Rc3 Rd7+-)* 54...Rxg3 55.Rd7+ Kh6 56.Rxa7 Rg4+-]
53...Rg4+ 54.Kxf5 Rxa4 55.Rc7+ Kg8 56.Kg6 Rg4+ 57.Kxh6 Rxg3 58.Rxa7 Rb3 59.Rb7 Rxb5 60.Kg6 Kf8 61.h6 h6-h7 would kill now. **61...Re5 62.Rb8+** Weighted Error Value: White=0.32/ Black=0.54
1-0

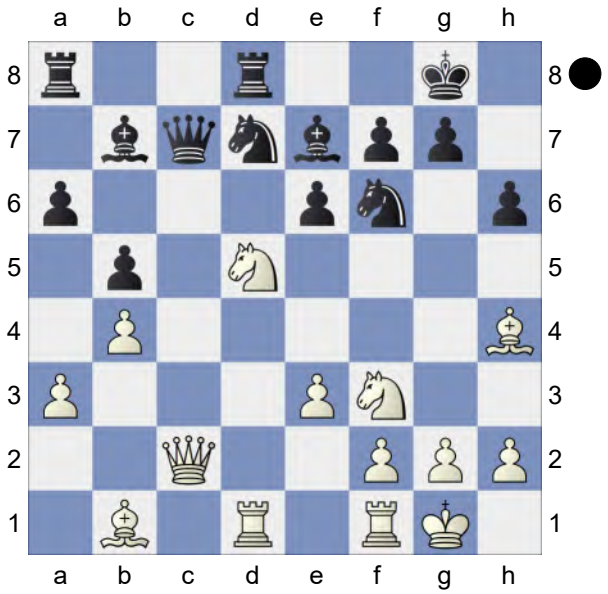
D60

□ **Flohr,Salo**
■ **Chekhover,Vitaly**
Moscow (8) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D61: Queen's Gambit Declined: Classical: 7 Qc2 **1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.c4 e6 4.Nc3 Be7 5.Bg5**
[5.g3 0-0 6.Bg2 c6 7.0-0 a5 8.b3 b6 9.Bb2 Ba6 10.Nd2 b5 11.Qc2 Nbd7 12.Rfd1 Rc8 13.e4 dxc4 14.bxc4 bxc4 15.Na4 c3 16.Bxc3 Bb5 17.Nc5 Nxc5 18.dxc5 Be2 19.Re1 Bd3 1-0 Navara,D (2689)-Yu, Y (2735) Biel Blitz 56th 2023 (1)]
5...Nbd7N
[5...h6 6.Bxf6 Bxf6 7.e3 0-0 8.Rc1 c6 9.h4 Re8 10.g4 e5 11.g5 exd4 12.Nxd4 hxg5 13.hxg5 Bxd4 14.Qxd4 Qxg5 15.cxd5 Bf5 16.Be2 cxd5 17.Rh5 Qg1+ 18.Kd2 Qxf2 19.Rch1 f6 20.Rh8+ 1-0 Model Games-Ivanisevic,I Lifetime Repertoires: Plichta's Queen's 2023]
6.e3 0-0 7.a3 a6 8.Qc2 h6 9.Bh4 dxc4 10.Bxc4 b5 The position is equal. **11.Ba2 c5 12.dxc5 Nxc5 13.Rd1** Wards off Qd8-d3 **13...Qc7** 1.04/22
[13...Qe8= 0.12/20]
14.Bb1



Black must now prevent Bh4xf6. White is more active. **14...Rd8 15.0-0** -0.14/21
[15.b4± 0.82/22]
15...Bb7=
[15...Rxd1 simplifies 16.Rxd1 Bb7 17.Rc1 Qb6]
16.b4 aiming for Bh4xf6. **16...Ncd7 17.Nd5**



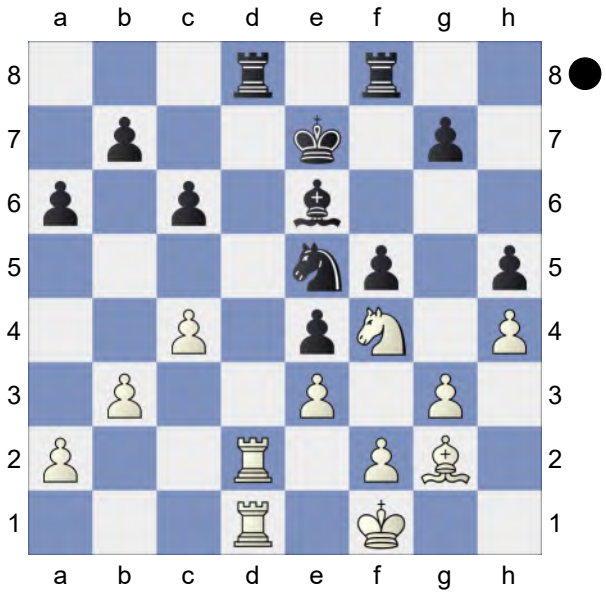
Discovered Attack, Double Attack
17...Qxc2 18.Nxe7+ Kf8 19.Bxc2 Kxe7 20.Nd4 Rac8

[20...g5!? 21.Bg3□ Rdc8=]
21.Ra1 Nb6 22.Bd1 Rc3 23.Re1 -0.64/20
[23.a4= -0.21/20]
23...Nc4 0.11/20
[23...g5∓ -0.64/20 24.Bg3 Nc4]
24.a4 bxa4 25.Bxa4 Nb2 26.b5 Strongly threatening b5xa6. **26...Nxa4 27.bxa6 Bxa6** ...Rc3-c4 is the strong threat. **28.Rxa4 Bc8 29.h3 Rd7 30.e4** e4-e5 would now be deadly. **30...g5 31.Bg3 Bb7 32.f3 Nh5 33.Bf2 Nf4 34.Ne2 Nxe2+ 35.Rxe2 Rc1+ 36.Kh2 Rb1 37.e5 Kf8 38.h4 Kg7 39.hxg5 hxg5 40.Rg4 f6 41.exf6+ Kxf6 42.Bd4+ Kf7 43.Be3 Rd5 44.Bxg5 Rf5** 1.12/19
[44...Rbb5± 0.69/20]
45.f4 0.32/21
[45.Rc2± 1.12/19 Hoping for Rc2-c7+. Bxf3 46.gxf3 Rxf3 47.Kg2]
45...Rfb5 46.Rc2 Kg6 47.Rc7 Kf5 48.Rg3 R1b3 49.Rh3 Rxh3+ 50.Kxh3 Bxg2+ 0.57/25 **51.Kxg2±** White is slightly better. **51...e5! 52.Rc4**
[52.Rf7+ Kg4 53.Rg7 Rb2+ 54.Kg1 Kf5 55.fxe5 *(55.Rf7+ Kg4±)* 55...Kxe5±]
52...exf4 53.Bxf4 Rb3 Weighted Error Value: White=0.14 (very precise) / Black=0.13 (very precise)
½-½

A25

□ **Botvinnik,Mikhail**
■ **Alatortsev,Vladimir**
Moscow (8) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A25: English Opening vs King's Indian with ...Nc6 but without early d3 **1.c4 e5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.g3 d6 4.Bg2 f5 5.e3 Nf6 6.d4 Be7 7.Nge2 0-0 8.b3** White is slightly better. **8...Qe8 9.Ba3 Rf7N**
[9...Kh8 10.Nd5 Bd8 11.dxe5 Nxe5 12.0-0 Ne4 13.Qc2 c6 14.Ndc3 Rf6 15.Rad1 Rh6 16.Nf4 Nxc3 17.Qxc3 Bf6 18.Qe1 g5 19.Rxd6 Qf7 20.Nh3 g4 21.Nf4 Bd7 22.Qd2 Re8 23.Rd1 Bc8 24.Bb2 1-0 Heemsoth,H-Pettersson,W Wch4 sf07 corr ICCF 1958 Kg8 25.e4 Qg7 26.Rxf6 Rxf6 27.Bxe5 Rxe5 28.Nh5 1-0 Clemens, C-Quenallata,L Merlo op 1994]
10.Nd5 Bf8 11.0-0 Nd8 12.Qc2 c6 13.dxe5 White is much more active. **13...dxe5 14.Bxf8 Qxf8 15.Nxf6+ Rxf6 16.Rad1 Nf7 17.Rd2 Be6 18.Rfd1 Re8 19.Qc3 Bc8 20.Qa5 a6 21.Nc3 e4 22.Na4 Qe7 23.Qc5** -0.07/20
[23.Nb6± 0.33/20]
23...Qxc5= 24.Nxc5 Ne5 Dodges Nc5-d7 **25.h3 Rff8 26.Kf1 h5 27.h4 Kf7 28.Na4 Ke7 29.Nc3 Be6 30.Ne2 Rd8 31.Nf4**



Threatens to win with Rd2xd8! **31...Rxd2 32.Rxd2 Bf7 33.Ke2 Rd8** 0.50/26
[Better is 33...Rg8= -0.01/21]

34.Rd4 -0.01/23
[34.Rxd8!± 0.50/26 Kxd8 35.f3]
34...b5 The position is equal. **35.cxb5 axb5 36.Rxd8 Kxd8 37.f3 exf3+ 38.Bxf3 Nxf3 39.Kxf3** Weighted Error Value: White=0.13 (very precise) / Black=0.12 (very precise)
½-½

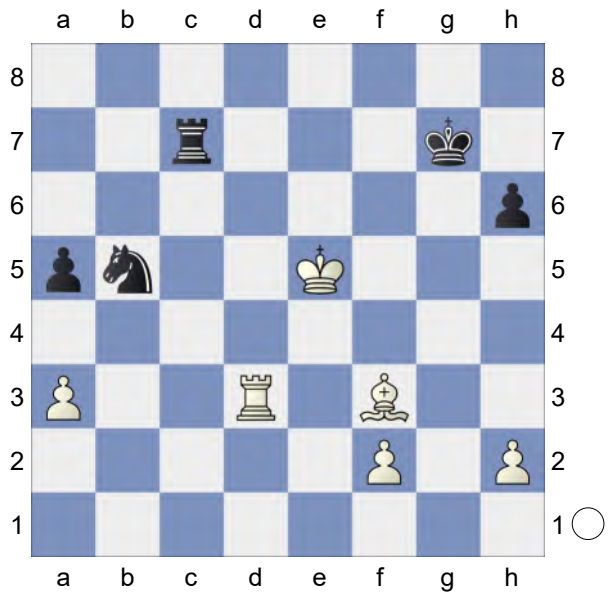
D30

□ **Alatortsev,Vladimir**
■ **Stahlberg,Gideon**
Moscow (9) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D30: Queen's Gambit Declined: Systems without Nc3 **1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 c5 4.cxd5 exd5 5.e3 Nc6 6.Be2**
[6.Bb5 Bd6 7.0-0 Nge7 8.Nc3 0-0 9.Bxc6 bxc6 10.dxc5 Bxc5 11.Re1 Bg4 12.h3 Bxf3 13.Qxf3 Re8 14.Na4 Qa5 15.Nxc5 Qxe1+ 16.Kh2 Ng6 17.Qg3 Ne5 18.b3 Qc3 19.Na4 Qxa1 20.Bb2 Qxa2 0-1 Kepinski,J (1706)-Wilson,J (1653) corr FICGS CHESS 2007 (1)]
6...Nf6 7.0-0 Bd6N
[7...cxd4 8.exd4 *(8.Nxd4 Bd6 9.b3 Qe7 10.Bb2 Qe5 11.g3 0-0 12.Nd2 Qe7* 9) 4th Move Sidelines-85.4th move sidelines?*)* 8...Bd6 9.Bg5 h6 10.Bh4 Be6 11.Nc3 g5 12.Bg3 D 30/28 2003]
8.dxc5 Bxc5 9.a3 0-0 10.b4 Bd6 11.Bb2 Be6 12.Nbd2 White is slightly better. **12...Qe7 13.Nb3 Ne4 14.Nbd4 Rac8 15.Rc1 f5** 1.28/18
[15...Nxd4± 0.53/19 16.Qxd4 Qf6]
16.Nxe6± Qxe6 17.g3 Qf7 18.Qb3 Ne7 19.Rfd1 g5 20.Qd3 1.17/20
[20.Rxc8+- 1.62/18 Rxc8 21.Bd3]
20...h6 1.77/18
[20...Ng6± 1.17/20 21.Rxc8 *(21.Qxd5 Qxd5 22.Rxd5 Rxc1+ 23.Bxc1 Rc8±)* 21...Rxc8]
21.Qd4 1.23/22
[White should play 21.Rxc8+- 1.77/18 Rxc8 22.Rf1]
21...Kh7 22.Ne5→ 0.91/23 White has strong attack.
[⌓22.Qxa7 1.55/19 Ng6 23.Qb6]
22...Bxe5 23.Qxe5 Rxc1 24.Bxc1
[24.Rxc1 Nc6 25.Rxc6 bxc6-+]
24...f4? 2.71/22 **25.exf4+-**
[25.gxf4 gxf4 26.Bh5 *(26.Qxf4? Qg6+ 27.Qg4 Qf6-+)* 26...Qg8+ 27.Kf1 Qg7 28.Qxg7+ *(28.exf4? Qxe5 29.fxe5 Nxf2-+; 28.Rxd5 Nf6±)* 28...Kxg7 29.exf4 b6+-]
25...gxf4 26.Bxf4 Ng6 Repels Be2-d3 **27.Qxd5 Nc3 28.Qxf7+ Rxf7 29.Rd2**
[29.Bc4 Nxf4 30.Bxf7 Nh3+ 31.Kg2 Nxd1+-]
29...Nxf4 30.gxf4 Endgame. KRB-KRN **30...Kg7 31.Bf3 b6 32.Kg2** Hoping for Kg2-g3. **32...Rxf4 33.Kg3 Rf7 34.Rd3 Rc7 35.Kf4 a5 36.bxa5 bxa5 37.Ke5 Nb5** 2.48/21
[⌓37...a4 1.67/21 38.Bg4 h5]

(Diagram)

38.Bd5! Rc2 39.Rg3+ Kf8 40.f4 Ke5-f6 would now be deadly. **40...Nc7 41.Bg2** 0.86/22
[41.Rg8++- 2.43/22 is the precise move to win. Ke7 42.Rg7+ Kf8 43.Rf7+ Ke8 44.Be4 Kxf7 45.Bxc2]
41...Ke7 1.47/22
[⌓41...Re2+ 0.86/22 42.Be4 Rxh2]
42.f5 0.97/22
[⌓42.Rg7+ 1.47/22 Kf8 43.Rg6]
42...Ne8? 2.55/22



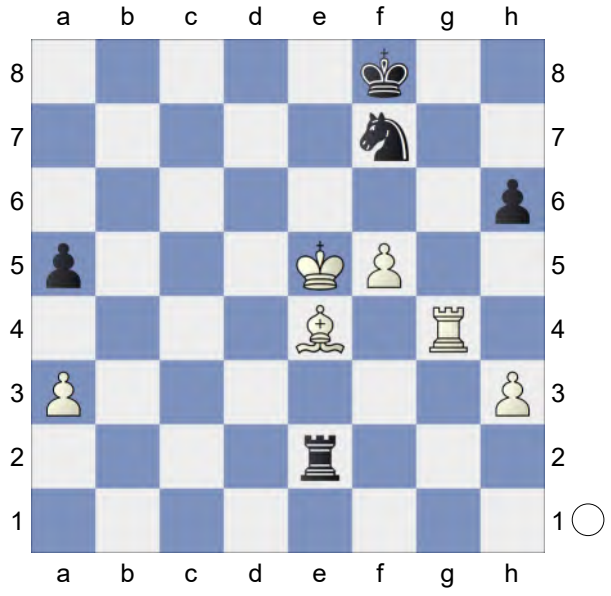
[42...Rc5+± 0.97/22 43.Kf4 Rc2]

43.h3? 0.95/23

[43.Rg6+- 2.55/22 and White stays clearly on top.]

43...Re2+± 44.Be4 Threatens to win with Rg3-g6. **44...Nd6 45.Rg7+ Kf8 46.Rg4 Nf7+** 1.21/22

[⌓46...h5 0.76/24 47.Rh4 Ke7]



47.Kd4!

[47.Kf6 Rd2 48.Kg6 Ne5+ 49.Kxh6 Nxg4+ 50.hxg4 Rd4-+]

47...Rd2+ 48.Kc5 Re2 1.93/22

[48...Rf2± 1.17/20 keeps fighting.]

49.a4 Ng5 50.Bd5 Strongly threatening h3-h4. **50...Nxh3 51.Rh4** 0.92/23

[⌓51.Rg8+ 1.48/23 Ke7 52.Kb6]

51...Ng5 52.Rxh6 Rf2! 53.f6 Nf7 Wards off Rh6-h8+ **54.Rg6**

[54.Rh5 simplifies Rxf6 55.Kb5 Ke8 56.Kxa5 Nd8]

54...Rf5 55.Kd4 Rf4+ 56.Kc3 Rf5 57.Kd4 Rf4+ 58.Kc5 -0.01/22

[58.Ke3!± 0.50/27 Rxa4 59.Rg7]

58...Rf5!= 59.Rg1 Rxf6 60.Rb1 Ne5 61.Rb7 0.01/24

[61.Kb5± 0.38/22 should be considered.]

61...Ke8 62.Ra7 Nd7+ The position is equal. **63.Kb5 Kd8 64.Ra8+ Kc7 65.Ra7+ Kd8 66.Ra8+ Kc7 67.Ra7+ Kd8 68.Be4 Re6 69.Bd5 Rf6 70.Ra8+ Kc7 71.Rxa5 Rf5 72.Kb4 Kd6** Black escapes into a draw. Weighted Error Value: White=0.24 (precise) / Black=0.21 (precise)

½-½

D19

□ **Chekhover,Vitaly**
■ **Rabinovich,Ilya Leontievich**
Moscow (9) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D19: Slav Defence: 5 a4 Bf5 6 e3: Main line with 9 Qe2 **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3 dxc4 5.a4 Bf5 6.e3 e6 7.Bxc4 Bb4 8.0-0 0-0 9.Qe2 c5** 0.68/19

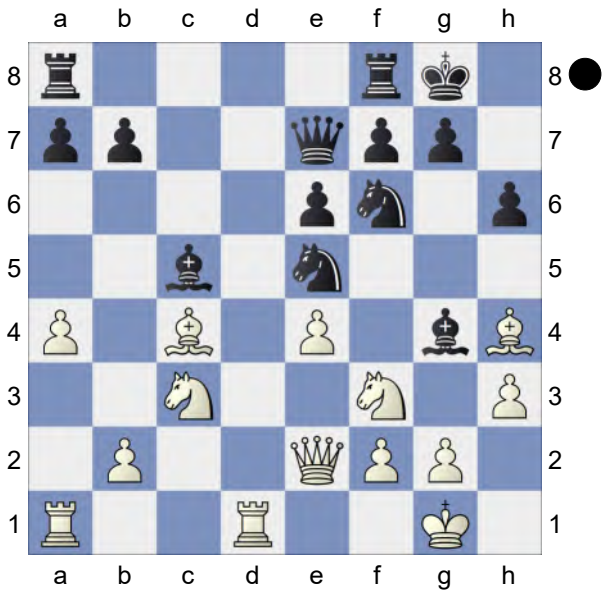
[9...h6= 0.22/17 might be stronger.]

10.Rd1 0.28/19

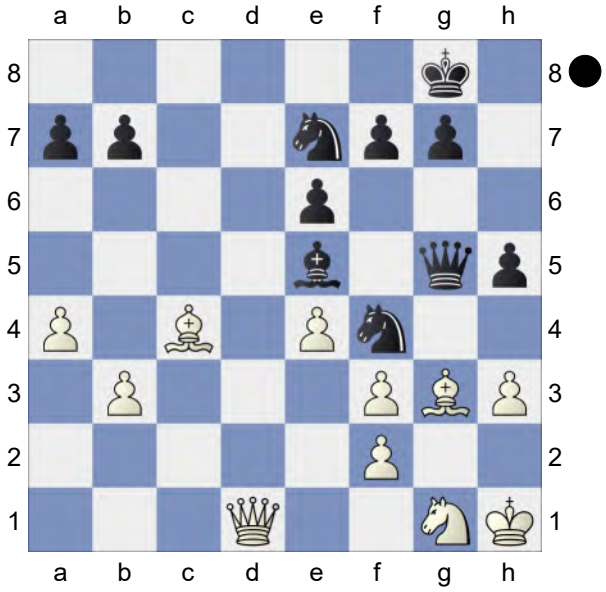
[10.Na2!± 0.68/19]

10...Nc6= 11.dxc5 Qe7 12.e4 The position is equal. **12...Bg4 13.Bf4** -0.92/20

[13.Bb5= -0.27/18]
13...Bxc5∓ ...Nc6-d4! would now be deadly. **14.Bg5?** -2.38/21
[14.e5∓ -0.83/19 might work better. Nd7 15.Qe4]
14...h6N -1.35/20
[14...Nd4-+ -2.38/21 15.Rxd4 *(15.Qd3? Rfd8-+)* 15...Bxd4 16.e5 Bxf3 17.gxf3 Qc5 18.exf6 Qxg5+ 19.Kh1 Bxc3 20.bxc3 Qxf6 21.Qe3 Rac8 1. Mainline: 4... dxc4 5. a4- Sillador,R]
15.Bh4 Ne5 -0.84/19
[15...Nd4!-+ -1.62/20 16.Qd2 Rfd8 *(16...Bxf3? 17.e5-+; 16...Nxf3+ 17.gxf3 Bxf3 18.e5=)*]
16.h3 -2.13/21
[16.Bg3∓ -0.84/19 Nc6 17.e5]

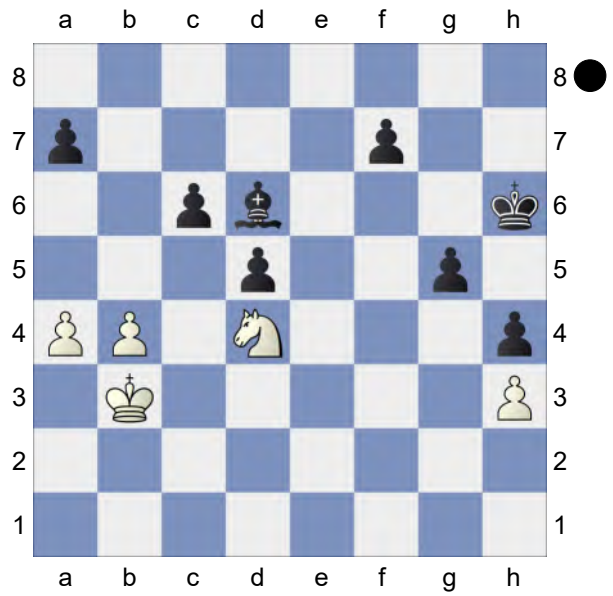


16...Bxf3!-+ 17.gxf3 Ng6 18.Bg3 Nh5↑ Keeping White busy. **19.Kh2 Nhf4 20.Qf1 h5 21.Kh1 Qf6 22.Ne2 Rfd8 23.Rab1** -2.53/21
[23.Nxf4 -1.72/19 was worth a try. Nxf4 24.h4]
23...Bd6 24.Ng1 Qg5 25.b3 Be5 26.Rbc1 Ne7 -1.51/22 Excellent horsemanship.
[26...Rac8-+ -2.66/23 Hoping for ...h5-h4. 27.a5 h4]
27.Rxd8+∓ Rxd8 28.Rd1? -3.46/24 White is weak on the dark squares
[28.h4∓ -1.49/21 Qf6 29.Qe1]
28...Rxd1-+ 29.Qxd1



h4! 30.Bxf4 Qxf4 31.Kg2
[Avoid the trap 31.Qd8+? Kh7 32.Kg2 Ng6-+]
31...Ng6 32.Kf1 Kh7 33.Ke2? -4.66/21
[33.Qe2 -2.19/21 keeps fighting.]
33...Qg5 And now ...Ng6-f4+ would win.
34.Kd3 Qg2 35.Kc2 Qxf2+ 36.Ne2 Qxf3
[But not 36...Nf4 37.Qg1 Qxf3 *(37...Nxh3? 38.Qxf2 Nxf2 39.f4-+)* 38.Qc5]
37.Qd3 Qg2 38.Qd7 -7.09/20
[⌓38.a5 -4.56/18]
38...Qxe4+ 39.Bd3 Qc6+ 40.Qxc6 bxc6 Endgame. KBN-KBN **41.b4 Kh6 42.Ng1 Nf4 43.Be4 Bd6 44.Kb3 Nd5 45.Bxd5?** -8.21/25
[45.Ne2 -3.32/20]
45...exd5 Black is clearly winning. **46.Nf3 g5** Strongly threatening ...Kh6-h5. **47.Nd4**

(Diagram)

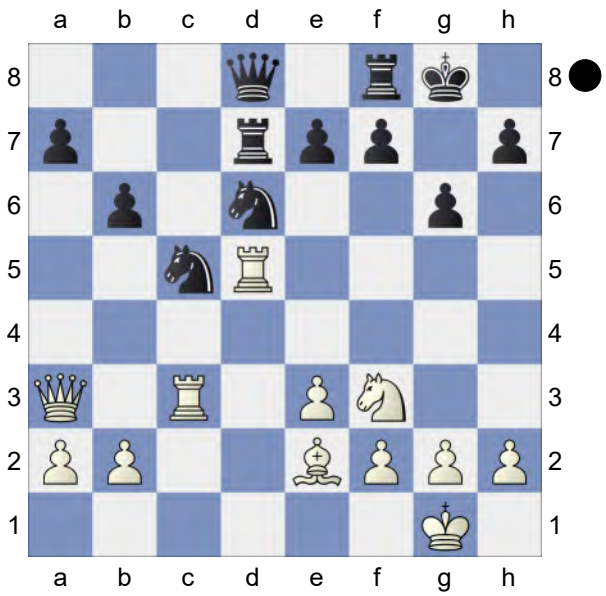


g4! Weighted Error Value: White=0.57/ Black=0.32
0-1

D95

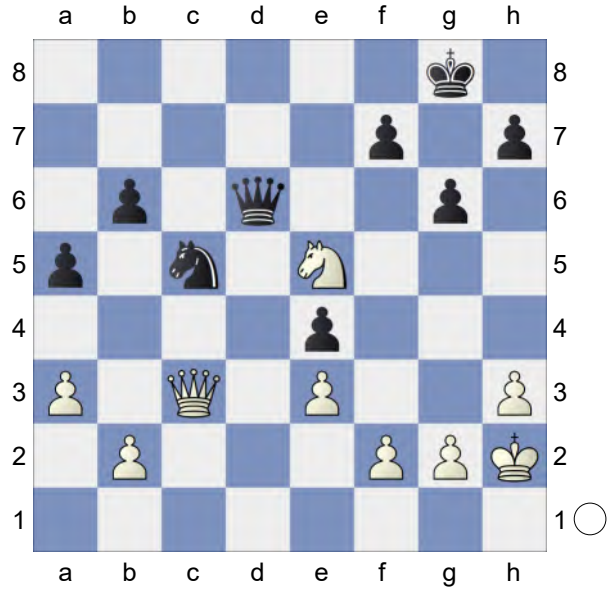
□ **Bohatirchuk,Fedor Parfenovich**
■ **Spielmann,Rudolf**
Moscow (9) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D95: Grünfeld: 4 Nf3 Bg7 5 e3 0-0 6 Qb3
1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Nf3 Bg7 5.e3 0-0 6.Qb3 c6 7.Bd2 b6
[7...Qb6 8.Qa3 Bf5 9.Rc1 Nbd7 10.cxd5 cxd5 11.Be2 Rfc8 12.0-0 Bf8 13.Na4 Qd8 14.Qb3 Rcb8 15.Nc3 e6 16.h3 Ne4 17.g4 Nxc3 18.Bxc3 Be4 19.Ne5 Nxe5 20.dxe5 Qh4 21.Be1 Qxh3 22.f3 1-0 Abdusattorov,N (2762)-Nepomniachtchi,I (2767) Sinquefield Cup 11th Saint Louis 2024 (9)]
8.Bd3N
[8.cxd5 cxd5 9.Rc1 Bb7 10.Ne5 Nfd7 11.Nxd7 Nxd7 12.f4 e5 13.fxe5 Nxe5 14.dxe5 d4 15.Nd1 Bxe5 16.e4 Bxe4 17.Nf2 Bd5 18.Qh3 Qe7 19.Be2 d3 20.Nxd3 Rfe8 21.Kf1 Bxb2 22.Re1 Qf6+ 0-1 Hartlaub,C-Varga,C New England 1989]
[8.Be2 Bb7 *(8...e6 9.0-0 Bb7 10.Rfd1 Nbd7 11.Qc2 dxc4 12.Bxc4 c5 13.Be1 Qe7 14.Qe2 cxd4 15.exd4 Rfe8 16.Bd2 a6 17.a4 Qd6 18.Bg5 h6 19.Be3 Rec8 20.h3 Qb4 21.Bd3 Rd8 22.Rd2 Qa5 23.Qd1* ½-½ Kortschnoj,V (2630)-Popovic,P (2560) 44/585 Belgrad 1987*)* 9.0-0 Nbd7 10.a4 dxc4 11.Bxc4 Ne8 12.a5 b5 13.a6 Bc8 14.Be2 Nc7 15.Ne4 Nxa6 16.Rfc1 Bb7 17.Ba5 Qe8 18.Nfd2 Nb6 19.Nc3 e5 20.d5 Nxd5 21.Nxd5 cxd5 22.Bxb5 Qe6 1-0 Ragozin,V-Spielmann,R Moscow IT 2nd 1935 (5)]
8...Bb7 9.0-0 Nbd7 0.51/20
[9...e6= 0.01/20]
10.Rfd1 0.00/19
[10.cxd5± 0.51/20 cxd5 11.Ne2]
10...dxc4 11.Bxc4 Ne8 12.Rac1 Nd6 13.Be2 c5 14.Be1 Rc8 15.dxc5 Nxc5 16.Qa3 Rc7 17.Nd5 Rd7 18.Bc3 Bxd5 19.Rxd5 Bxc3 20.Rxc3



Nb5! Discovered Attack, Double Attack.

A dynamic duo of knights. **21.Rxd7** [21.Bxb5? loses. Rxd5 22.g3 Ne4-+] **21...Qxd7 22.Bxb5 Qxb5 23.Nd4 Qd7** Strongly threatening ...e7-e5. **24.Rc1 Rd8 25.h3 a5 26.Qc3 Qa4 27.a3** The position is equal. **27...e5 28.Nf3 Rd1+ 29.Rxd1 Qxd1+=** Endgame. KQN-KQN **30.Kh2 e4 31.Ne5 Qd6**



...Nc5-d3 would now be deadly. **32.Kg1 Qd1+ 33.Kh2 Qd6** Threatens to win with ...Nc5-d3. **34.Kg1 Qd1+ 35.Kh2 Qd6** White must now prevent ...Nc5-d3. **36.Kg1 Qd1+** Weighted Error Value: White=0.08 (flawless) /Black=0.07 (flawless)
½-½

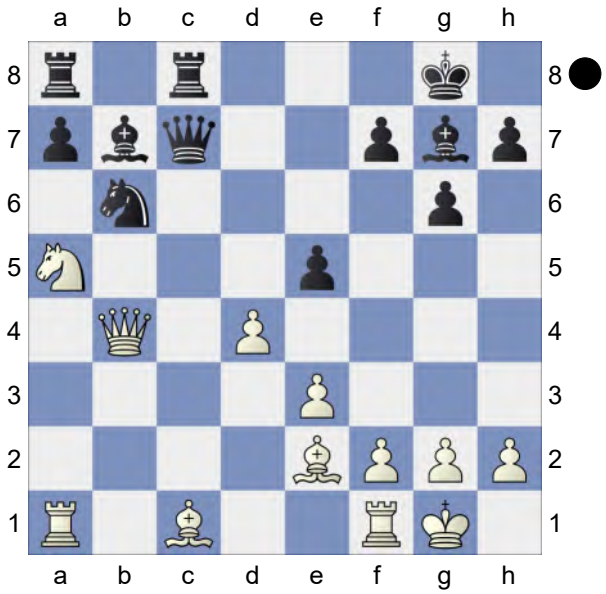
D90

□ **Goglidze,Victor Arsentievich**
■ **Botvinnik,Mikhail**
Moscow (9) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

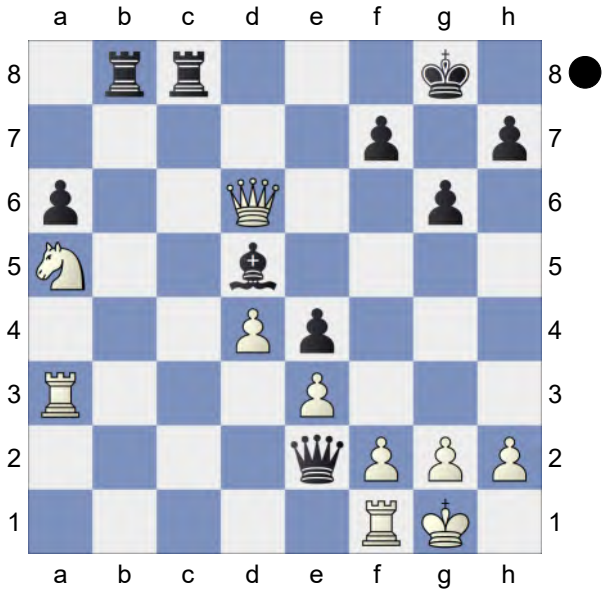
D90: Grünfeld: 4 Nf3 Bg7 sidelines
PARTIDA No. 42 GRUENFELD DEFENCE MOSCOW INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENT February **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Nf3 Bg7 5.cxd5 Nxd5 6.Qb3 Nxc3 7.bxc3 0-0 8.e3 c5 9.Be2 Qc7** [9...Nd7 10.0-0 Qc7 11.a4 b6 12.a5 bxa5 13.Qa3 Bb7 14.Qxa5 Rfc8 15.Qxc7 Rxc7 16.Ra5 e5 17.Rd1 cxd4 18.cxd4 Rac8 19.Rxa7 Bxf3 20.Rxc7 Rxc7 21.gxf3 exd4 22.exd4 Bxd4 23.Bf4 Be5 24.Rxd7 ½-½ Capablanca,J-Botvinnik,M Moscow]
10.0-0 b6 11.a4N [11.Rd1 Bb7 12.Rb1 Be4 13.Rb2 Nc6 14.Nd2 Na5 15.Qa3 Bd5 16.e4 Be6 17.d5 Bd7 18.Nf3 e6 19.d6 Qc6 20.e5 Qa4 21.Qxa4 Bxa4 22.Re1 Rad8 23.Bf4 Bc6 24.Rd2 h6 25.h4 f6 1-0 Prusikin,M (2440)-Gormally,D (2475) Zug Young Masters 1999] [11.Ba3 Nd7 12.e4 e5 13.d5 Nf6 14.Qc2 Ne8 15.Nd2 Nd6 D 90/04 2003]
11...Nc6 12.Qa3 The position is equal. **12...Na5 13.Nd2 Bb7** Black is more active. **14.Nb3 cxd4 15.cxd4 Nc4 16.Qb4 Rfc8→** Black mounts an attack. **17.a5 e5 18.axb6 Nxb6 19.Na5**

(Diagram)

Na5xb7 would now be deadly. **19...Bd5 20.Bb2 Bf8 21.Qb5 a6 22.Qd3 e4 23.Qb1** -2.50/21 White is weak on the light squares. White does not recover from this. [23.Qd2= -0.23/21 and White is okay.]
23...Qc2-+ 24.Ba3? -4.66/21 [24.Bg4 -2.42/20 f5 25.Bh3]
24...Bxa3 25.Rxa3 Qxe2 26.Qxb6 -7.43/23



[⌓26.Qb4 -4.75/19]
26...Rab8 27.Qd6

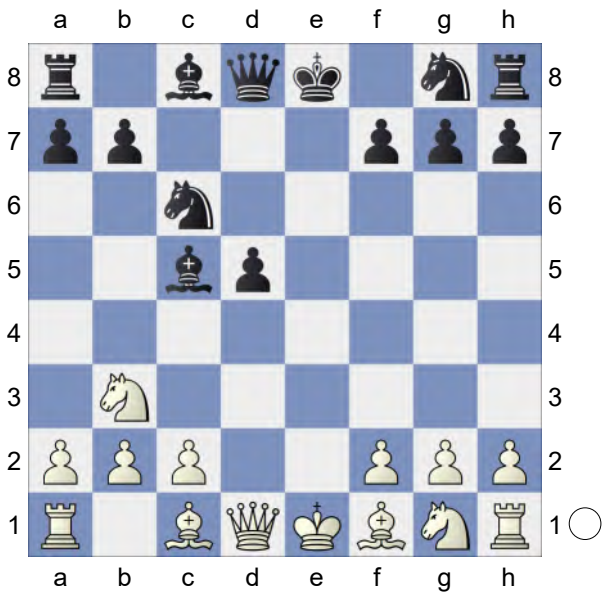


Qxf1+!! Remove Defender **28.Kxf1 Rb1+** Weighted Error Value: White=0.91/ Black=0.03 (flawless)
0-1

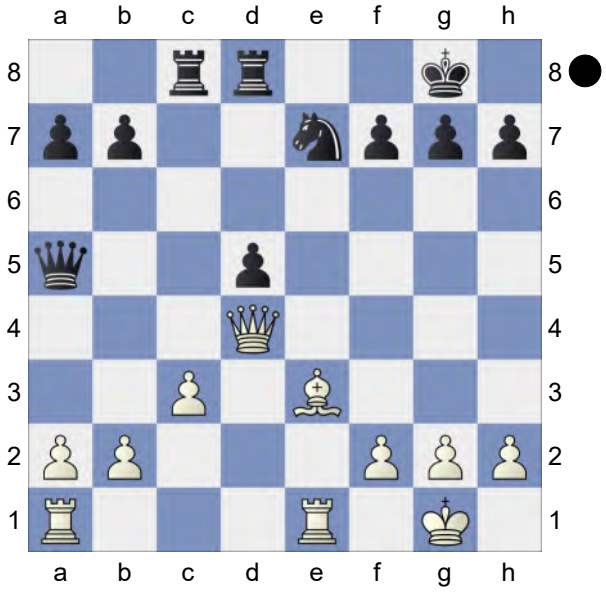
C07

□ **Kan,Ilia Abramovich**
■ **Menchik,Vera**
Moscow (9) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

C07: French Tarrasch: 3...c5, 4 Ngf3 and 4 exd5 Qxd5 Sentido de peligro DEFENSA FRANCESA **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 c5 4.dxc5 Nc6N**
[4...Bxc5 5.Bd3 *(5.exd5 exd5 6.Nb3 Bb6 7.Bb5+ Nc6 8.Qe2+ Nge7 9.Bg5 h6 10.Bh4 Be6 11.Nf3 0-0 12.0-0 Qc8 13.Bxe7 Nxe7 14.Nfd4 Nc6 15.c3 Bg4 16.Qd2 Ne5 17.h3 Bh5 18.Qf4 Qc7 19.Qh4 Bg6* 0-1 Fedorchuk,S (2660)-Lupulescu,C (2634) EU-ch 14th Legnica 2013 (8) *20.f4 Bd3 21.Bxd3 Nxd3 22.Kh1 Qd8 23.Qh5 Qd6 24.Nf5 Qf6 25.Rf3 Nf2+ 26.Kh2 Ne4 27.Nbd4 Rad8 28.Rd1 Bc7 29.Kg1 Bb6 30.Ne3 Qd6 31.Ndf5 Bxe3+ 32.Nxe3 Qb6 33.Kh2 Nf6 34.Qh4 Qe6* ½-½ Galkin,S (2666)-Wrappin' up the Rapid in Lond,D (2548) USSR 54/(161) 1991 (5.2)*)* 5...Nc6 6.exd5 *(6.Ngf3 Nf6 7.Qe2 Qc7 8.c3 Bd6 9.0-0 0-0 10.exd5 exd5 11.Bc2 Bg4 12.Qd3 Bh5 13.Qb5 a6 14.Qa4 Rae8 15.Qh4 Bf4 16.g3 Bh6 17.Ng5 Bg6 18.Bxg6 hxg6 19.Ndf3 Ne5 20.Nd4 Nd3* 0-1 Oragwu,C (2204)-Clarke,C (2078) London Menchik Memorial Blitz op 3rd 2024 (10) *)* 6...exd5 7.Nb3 Bb6 8.Nf3 Nge7 9.0-0 0-0 10.c3 Qd6 11.Re1 Ng6 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Rxe3 Bg4 14.Bxg6 fxg6 15.h3 Bf5 16.Nbd4 Rad8 17.Nxf5 Rxf5 18.Qe2 Rdf8 19.Re1 ½-½ Spielmann,R-Alekhine,A It New York (USA) 1927]
5.exd5 exd5 6.Nb3 Bxc5



Decoy **7.Nxc5 Qa5+ 8.c3** White is better. **8...Qxc5 9.Be3 Qa5 10.Nf3 Nge7 11.Be2** White is more active. **11...0-0 12.0-0 Rd8 13.Bd3 Bf5 14.Re1 Rac8 15.Nd4** 0.58/19
[15.b4± 1.03/20 Qa3 16.b5]
15...Bxd3± 16.Qxd3 Nxd4 17.Qxd4



Hoping for Be3-g5! **17...Nc6 18.Qg4** And now Be3-g5 would win. **18...Ne5** 1.25/20
[⌓18...Qc7 0.81/19]
19.Qg3± f6 20.Bd4 Ng6 1.70/20
[20...Qc7± 1.26/21]
21.h4+- h4-h5 would now be deadly.
21...Qb5? 5.47/20
[21...Qc7 1.76/20 22.Qxc7 *(22.Bxa7 Qxg3 23.fxg3 Re8±)* 22...Rxc7]
22.h5 White is clearly winning.
[Stronger than 22.Bxa7 b6=]
22...Ne5 23.f4
[Worse is 23.Bxa7 b6=]
23...Nc6 24.Bxf6 Rd7 25.Qg4
Weighted Error Value: White=0.05 (flawless) /Black=0.30
1-0

C15

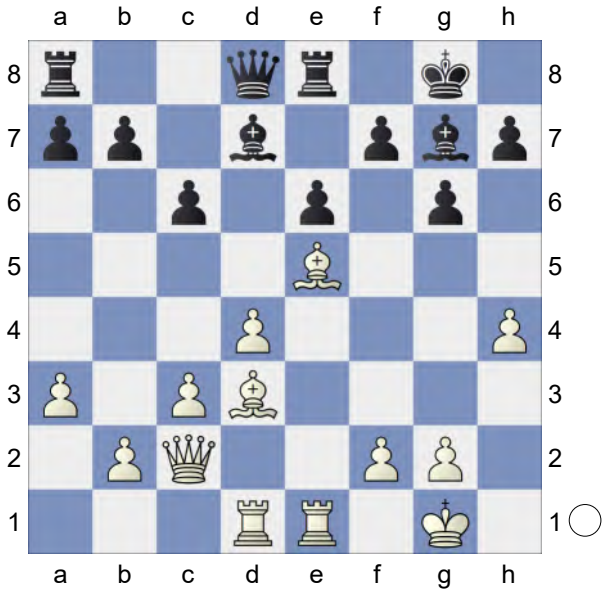
□ **Lasker,Emanuel**
■ **Capablanca,Jose Raul**
Moscow (9) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

C15: French: 3 Nc3 Bb4: Unusual White 4th moves **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Nge2 dxe4 5.a3 Be7 6.Nxe4 Nf6 7.N2c3 Nbd7 8.Bf4 Nxe4 9.Nxe4 Nf6** Wards off Qd1-g4 **10.Bd3 0-0** 0.76/19
[10...Bd7± 0.39/21 feels stronger.]
11.Nxf6+± Discovered Attack **11...Bxf6 12.c3 Qd5** 1.10/21 Prevents Qd1-h5.
[12...Bd7± 0.67/20]
13.Qe2→ 0.66/21 White is up to no good.
[But not 13.Bxc7?! Qxg2 14.Rf1 Bd7=]
[13.0-0± 1.10/21]
13...c6 1.79/20
[Better is 13...Bd7!± 0.66/21]
14.0-0 1.03/20
[14.h4+- 1.79/20]
14...Re8 1.52/20
[⌓14...b6 1.03/20]
15.Rad1 Bd7 16.Rfe1 Qa5 17.Qc2 g6 18.Be5 Bg7 1.69/21

[18...Bxe5± 1.16/20 keeps fighting. 19.Rxe5 *(19.dxe5 Red8±)* 19...Qd8]

19.h4 Black is weak on the dark squares

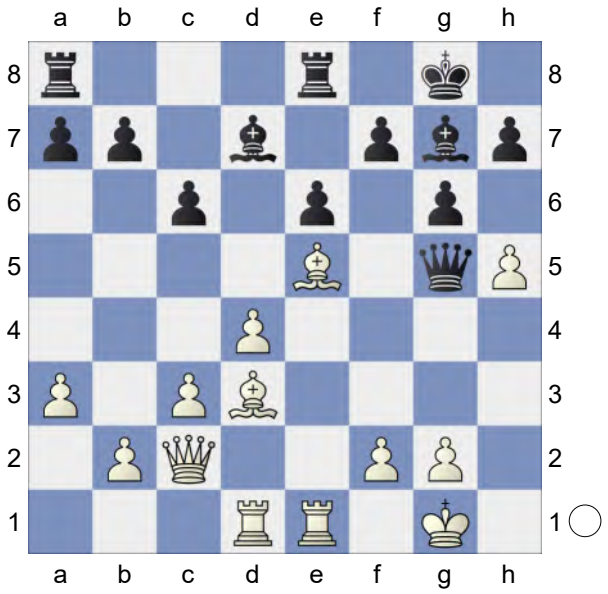
19...Qd8



20.h5 White has more active pieces.

20...Qg5

[20...Qe7 21.Re3]



21.Bxg7 0.79/21

[21.hxg6!+- 2.17/21 is the precise move to win. fxg6 22.Bd6]

21...Kxg7 22.Re5 Qe7 1.88/19

[22...f5± 0.77/22]

23.Rde1 Rg8 24.Qc1 Rad8 25.R1e3 1.35/21

[25.Qf4+- 2.27/21]

25...Bc8 2.42/23

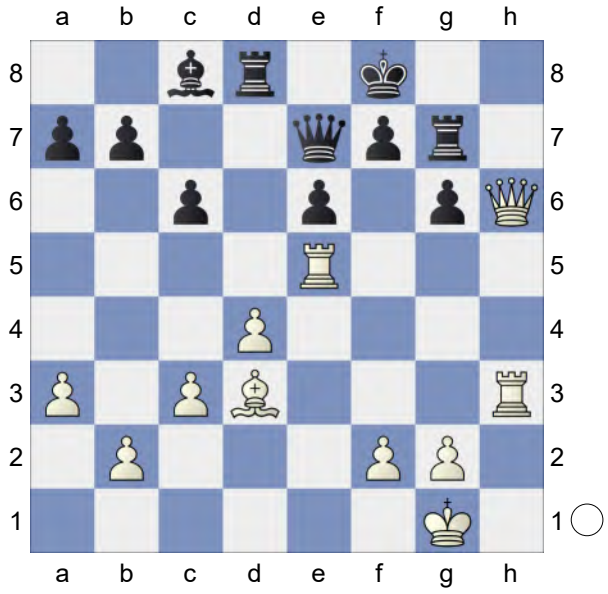
[25...f6± 1.35/21 is a better defense.]

26.Rh3+- h5xg6 is the strong threat.

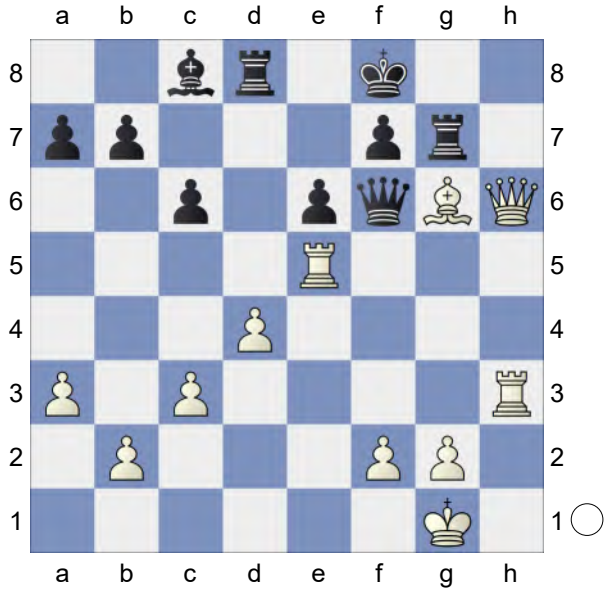
26...Kf8? 4.39/23

[26...f5 2.22/20 27.Bc4 *(27.hxg6 hxg6 28.Qh6+ Kf7+-)* 27...Kh8]

27.Qh6+ Rg7 28.hxg6 hxg6



29.Bxg6 Pin **29...Qf6**

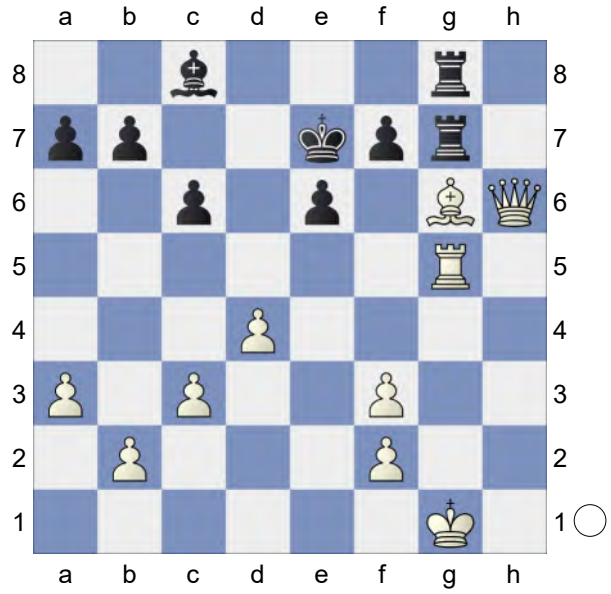


30.Rg5 Black must now prevent Rh3-f3.

30...Ke7

[30...fxg6 31.Rf3]

31.Rf3 Qxf3 32.gxf3 Rdg8



33.Kf1! Rxg6

[33...fxg6 34.Qh2]

34.Rxg6 Rxg6 Endgame. KQ-KRB **35.Qh2 Kd7 36.Qf4** Against Rg6-g5 **36...f6 37.c4 a6 38.Qh4** Qh4-h7+ would now be deadly. **38...Rg5 39.Qh7+ Kd8 40.Qh8+ Kc7 41.Qxf6 Rf5 42.Qg7+ Bd7 43.Ke2 Kc8 44.Qh8+ Kc7 45.Qh2+ Kc8 46.Qd6 Rh5 47.Ke3 Rf5 48.Ke4 Rh5 49.Qf8+ Kc7 50.Qf4+ Kc8 51.Qd6 Rf5 52.Ke3 Rh5 53.Kd3 Rf5 54.Ke2?** 0.01/25

[White should play 54.Qg3+- 4.36/24]

54...Rh5!= 55.Kd2 Rf5 56.Ke3? 0.01/25

[56.Qg3+- 4.31/24]

56...Rh5! 57.Qf8+ Kc7 58.Qf4+ Kc8 59.Qd6? -0.01/23

[White should try 59.Qf7+- 4.39/26 Rh1 60.Kf4]

59...Rf5 60.Qg3 Rh5 61.Qg4N

[61.Qg6 Rh1 62.c5 1-0 Lasker,E-Capablanca,J Tournament URS Moscow 1935 (9)]

61...Rf5 62.Qg8+ Kc7 63.Qg3+ Kc8 64.Qg6 Weighted Error Value: White=0.48/Black=0.21 (precise)

1-0

D41

□ **Lilienthal,Andor**
■ **Flohr,Salo**
Moscow (9) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D41: Queen's Gambit Declined: Semi-Tarrasch with 5 cxd5 **1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 d5 3.c4 e6 4.Nc3 c5 5.cxd5 Nxd5 6.e4 Nxc3 7.bxc3 cxd4 8.cxd4 Be7**

[8...Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 0-0 11.Bc4 Nd7 12.0-0 b6 13.Rad1 Bb7 14.Rfe1 Nf6 *(14...Rc8 15.Bb3 Re8 16.h3 h6 17.Re3 Qc7 18.d5 exd5 19.exd5 Qd6 20.Re6 Qc5 21.Rxe8+ Rxe8 22.Qf4 Nf6 23.d6 Re2 24.Nh4 Re4 25.Qg3 Bc8 26.Ng6 Bd7 27.Qf3 Qg5 28.Ne7+ Kf8 29.Bc2* ½-½ Bai,J (2585)-Bu,X (2677) CHN-chT Div A Finals Nanjing 2023 (3.2)*)* 15.Bd3 Rc8 16.Qf4 Qc7 17.Qh4 h6 18.h3 Rfd8 19.Re3 a5 20.Rb1 a4 21.a3 Kf8 22.Bb5 Qc2 23.Rbe1 ½-½ Nakamura,H (2780)-Paravyan,D (2599) Qatar Masters op Doha 2023 (6)]

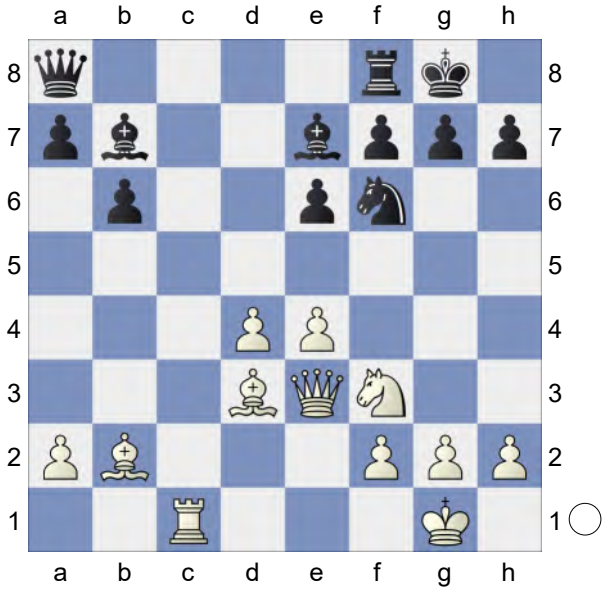
9.Be2N

[9.Bc4 0-0 10.0-0 Nc6 11.Bb2 b6 12.a3 Bb7 13.Qe2 Na5 14.Bd3 Rc8 15.Rad1 D 41/15 2003]

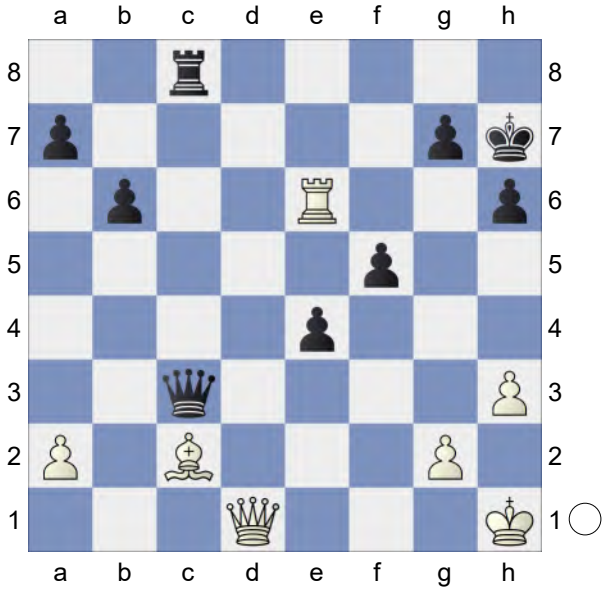
[9.Bd3 Nd7 10.0-0 b6 11.Qe2 Bb7 12.Bb2 0-0 13.Rac1 Rc8 14.Bb1 Rxc1 15.Rxc1 Qb8 16.Qd3 Rc8 17.Re1 Nf8 18.Ne5 Bd6 19.Nf3 Bb4 20.Rd1 Qf4 21.d5 Ng6 22.dxe6 Be7 23.Qd7 Ba6 1-0 Boutteville,C-Aubert,C FRA-ch47 Rosny sous Bois 1972 (11)]

9...0-0 10.0-0 b6 11.Qd2 Bb7 12.Qe3

Nd7 White has an edge. **13.Bb2 Rc8 14.Rac1 Nf6 15.Bd3 Rxc1 16.Rxc1 Qa8** 0.77/22
[16...Qb8= -0.01/19 keeps the balance.]

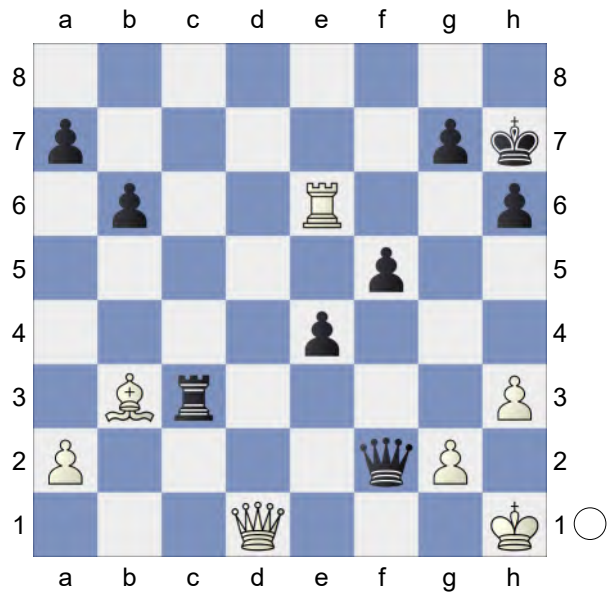


17.d5!± exd5 18.Nd4 0.37/21
White has more active pieces.
[18.Bxf6± 0.80/23 Bxf6 19.e5]
18...Bc5±
[18...Nxe4? 19.Bxe4 Bc5 *(19...dxe4? 20.Nf5+-* Discovered Attack, Double Attack *)* 20.Bf3+-]
[18...dxe4? 19.Nf5 Qd8 20.Qg5+-]
19.e5 Ne4 20.f3 Qe8 0.94/22
[20...Qb8!± 0.51/23]
21.fxe4 0.17/19
[21.e6!± 0.94/22]
21...Qxe5= 22.Re1 Re8 23.Kh1 dxe4 24.Bc2 -0.01/20
[24.Bc4± 0.46/22 Rd8 25.Bc3]
24...Rd8 25.Rd1
[25.Bxe4 Bxd4 26.Bxd4 *(26.Bxb7?* is the wrong capture. *Qxe3 27.Rxe3 Bxe3-+)* 26...Qxe4 27.Qxe4 Bxe4 28.Rxe4 f5]
25...h6 26.Bc3 f5 0.43/21
[26...h5= -0.01/21]
27.Rd2 0.01/21
[27.Qf2± 0.43/21 Qf6 28.Qf1]
27...Rf8 1.19/20
[27...Kh7= 0.01/21]
28.Qe1 Nd4-e2 would now be deadly.
[28.Qh3 is more complex. Qf4 29.Bb3+ Kh7 30.Rd1]
28...Kh8 2.20/21
[28...f4± 0.84/18 29.Bb3+ Kh7]
29.Ne2+- Qc7 30.Qd1 0.95/21
[30.Nf4+- 2.34/21 has better winning chances. Qxf4 31.Rd7]
30...Bc6 1.42/22
[⌓30...Bc8 0.95/21]
31.Nd4± Bd7 Dodges Nd4-e6 **32.Nb3 Be6 33.Nxc5 Qxc5 34.Rd6** 0.54/20
[34.Bd4± 1.32/19 Qa3 35.g4]
34...Qxc3± 35.Rxe6 Kh7 1.14/21
[35...Rc8± 0.49/20 36.Ba4 Qc5]
36.h3± Rc8



37.Bb3 -0.01/20
[37.Ba4!± 1.31/23]
37...Qe3!= 38.Bc2 Qf2 39.Bb3 Rc3 1.39/23
[39...Qe3= -0.01/25 40.Qh5 Rc1+ 41.Bd1 Qg5 *(41...Qe1+? 42.Kh2+-)*]

(Diagram)



40.Re8!± Rd3 41.Qh5 -0.01/32 Chess con chili.
[White should play 41.Qg1± 1.22/23 Qf4 42.Bg8+ Kg6 43.Re6+ Kg5 44.Bf7]
41...Qe1+ Blacks defense is rewarded with a draw. Weighted Error Value: White=0.32/Black=0.28 (precise)
½-½

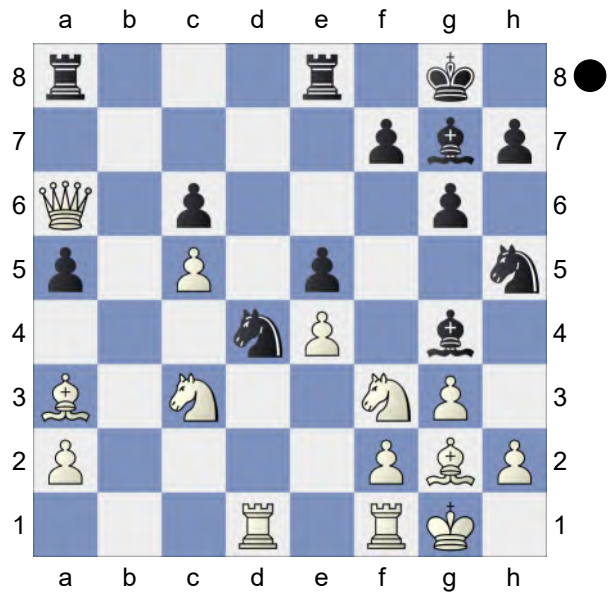
E67

□ **Lisitsin,Georgy**
■ **Riumin,Nikolay Nikolaevich**
Moscow (9) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

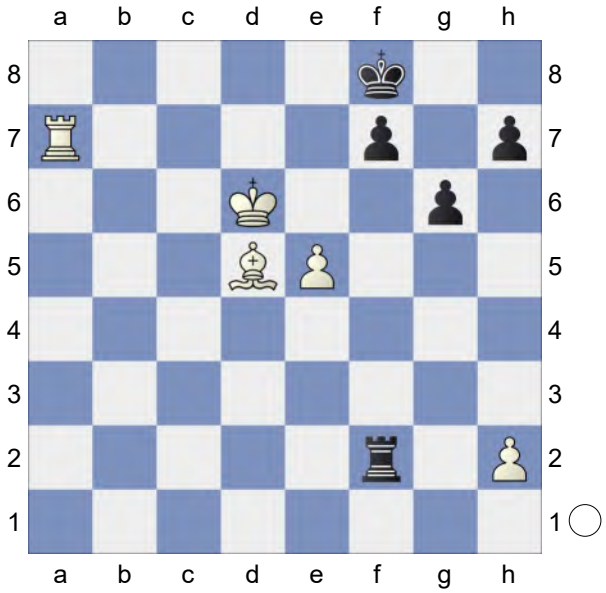
E67: King's Indian: Fianchetto: 6...Nbd7
1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.g3 0-0 5.Bg2 d6 6.d4 Nbd7
[6...c5 7.0-0 cxd4 8.Nxd4 Nc6 9.Nc2 Qa5 10.Bd2 Qh5 11.e4 Bg4 12.f3 Bh3 13.Qe2 Bxg2 14.Kxg2 Rac8 15.Rac1 g5 16.h3 Ne5 17.b3 Qg6 18.Ne3 e6 19.Rcd1 Rfd8 20.Kh2 Kh8 21.f4 0-1 Wiratunga,J (2089)-Stojanas,J (1983) London Menchik Memorial Blitz op 3rd 2024 (7)]
7.0-0 e5
[7...c5 8.d5 Rb8 9.e4 a6 10.a4 b6 11.Re1 Ne8 12.Bf4 h6 13.Qe2 g5 14.Bc1 Nc7 15.Nd1 e6 16.Ne3 Ne5 17.Nxe5 Bxe5 18.Qh5 Bg7 19.Ng4 Kh7 20.h4 f6 21.e5 exd5 22.Nxf6+ 1-0 Mladenov,P (2405)-Louis,C (2008) Plancoet op-A 10th 2013 (3)]
8.b3 Re8 9.Bb2N
[9.dxe5 dxe5 10.Bb2 e4 11.Ne1 Ng4 12.Qc1 Ndf6 E 67/02 Chess Informant ECO E4 Survey 2008]
9...Nh5 0.64/19
[9...e4= 0.01/20]
10.e4± c6 11.Qd2 Qc7 White is slightly better. **12.Rad1 Nf8 13.b4** 0.45/17
[13.h3± 0.99/19]
13...a5 14.b5 Bg4 15.dxe5 0.51/20
[15.d5± 0.87/19]
15...dxe5 16.bxc6 -0.20/20
[16.Ba3± 0.39/18]
16...bxc6= 17.Qd6 Qb6 18.Ba3 -0.53/22
[18.Ba1= -0.01/20]
18...Qa6
[18...Ne6 is more complex. 19.Na4 Qa6 20.Nc5 Qxc4 21.Nxe6 Bxe6 22.Nxe5 Qb5]
19.c5 Ne6 Hoping for ...Ra8-d8. **20.Qd3 Nd4 21.Qxa6**

(Diagram)

Remove Defender **21...Rxa6 22.Rd3 Raa8 23.Rb1 Rab8** -0.41/22
[Better is 23...Rad8∓ -0.80/21 24.Ne1 Rb8 25.Rxb8 Rxb8]
24.Rb6 Red8 -0.25/21
[24...Rbd8!∓ -0.65/22 25.Nxd4 exd4]
25.Nxd4 exd4 26.Na4 Be2 27.Rd2 Bb5 28.Nb2 Rxb6 0.02/19
[28...Rbc8∓ -0.48/21 29.f4 d3]



29.cxb6 Bf8? 1.88/21
[29...d3!= 0.29/20]
30.Bxf8+- Kxf8 31.b7 0.31/22
[31.a4± 0.95/22 Ba6 32.Bf1 Bxf1 33.Kxf1]
31...Rb8!± 32.Rxd4
[But not 32.a4 Ba6=]
32...Rxb7 33.e5 Ba6 0.90/22
[33...Ng7= 0.24/20]
34.Rd2± Rc7 1.61/22
[34...Bb5± 0.86/20 keeps fighting.]
35.Rd6 0.52/20
[White should try 35.Rd8++- 1.61/22 Ke7 36.Ra8]
35...Rb7? 2.09/24
[35...Ke7± 0.52/20]
36.Rxc6+- Threatens to win with Rc6-c8+. **36...Rxb2 37.Rxa6 Rxa2** Endgame. KRB-KRN **38.Bd5 Ra1+ 39.Kg2** White is more active. **39...Re1 40.f4**
[40.Rxa5 Rxe5 41.Rb5 Nf6 42.Rb8+ Kg7=]
40...Re2+ 41.Kg1 Rd2 42.Rxa5 Rd4 43.Kf2 Kf2-e3 would now be deadly. **43...Nxf4 44.gxf4 Rxf4+** KRB-KR **45.Ke3 Rf5 46.Kd4 Rf2** 7.87/24
[⌓46...h6 4.11/25 47.Ra8+ Kg7]
47.Ra8+ Ke7 48.Ra7+ Kf8 49.Kc5 Rf1 50.Kd6 Intending Bd5xf7! and mate.
50...Rf2



51.Rxf7+! Double Attack. Weighted Error Value: White=0.18 (very precise) / Black=0.54
1-0

E17

□ **Pirc,Vasja**
■ **Romanovsky,Peter Arsenievich**
Moscow (9) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

E19: Queen's Indian: Old Main Line with 7...Ne4 8 Qc2 Nxc3 8 Qxc3 **1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 e6 3.c4 b6 4.g3 Bb7 5.Bg2 Be7 6.Nc3 Ne4 7.Qc2 Nxc3 8.bxc3 d6**
[8...d5 9.0-0 0-0 10.cxd5 exd5 11.c4 c6 12.Bb2 Nd7 13.Rfd1 Nf6 14.Ne5 Rc8 15.c5 b5 16.Rd3 a5 17.g4 Nd7 18.Rh3 g6 19.Qd2 Bg5 20.f4 Bf6 21.g5 Bg7 22.Ng4 Re8 23.Re1 0-1 Suetin,A (2525)-Jovicic,M (2200) Belgrade RAD 30 1977 (3.3)]
9.0-0 Nd7 10.e4 0-0 11.Be3N

[11.Nd2 e5 12.f4 Bf6 13.Nf3 Qe7 14.Ba3 c5 15.d5 g6 16.Rae1 Bg7 17.f5 Bh6 18.Bc1 Bxc1 19.Qxc1 f6 20.fxg6 hxg6 21.Nh4 Kh7 22.Bh3 Ba6 23.Qd1 Rad8 24.Bf5 gxf5 25.Rxf5 Kg8 1-0 Drescher,H-Luecke,H GDSB-ch02 Zonenturnier West Bad Salzuflen 1934 (1) 26.Rh5 Rf7 27.Nf5 Qf8 28.Nh6+ 0-1 Drescher,T-Wilhelmi,M (1254) K0004 www.desc-online.de 1999 (1)]

11...c5 12.d5 exd5 0.57/21

[12...Bf6= 0.21/18]

13.cxd5± White is slightly better.

13...Bf6 14.Rab1 b5 0.84/19 **15.Rfd1**

[15.Rxb5 Ba6 16.c4 Bxb5 17.cxb5 a6∓]

15...Ba6 1.21/20

[Black should play 15...a6 0.82/20]

16.Bf4 White is much more active.

16...Qe7 17.Bf1 g5 18.Be3

[18.Bxb5? Bxb5 19.Bxg5 Rfb8-+]

18...g4 19.Nd2

[19.Bxb5 Bxb5 20.e5 dxe5-+]

19...Ne5 20.a4 Bg5 21.axb5 0.49/21

[21.Bf4± 1.01/20]

21...Bb7 1.67/21

[21...Bxe3± 0.49/21 22.Nc4 *(22.bxa6? Bxd2 23.Be2 Bg5-+; 22.fxe3 Bc8=)* 22...Bxb5 *(22...Nxc4 23.Bxc4 Bb7 24.fxe3±)* 23.Nxe5 Qxe5 24.Bxb5 *(24.fxe3 Bd7∓; 24.Rxb5 Bg5=)* 24...Bh6]

22.Nc4+- Nf3+ 23.Kh1 Rae8 1.98/20

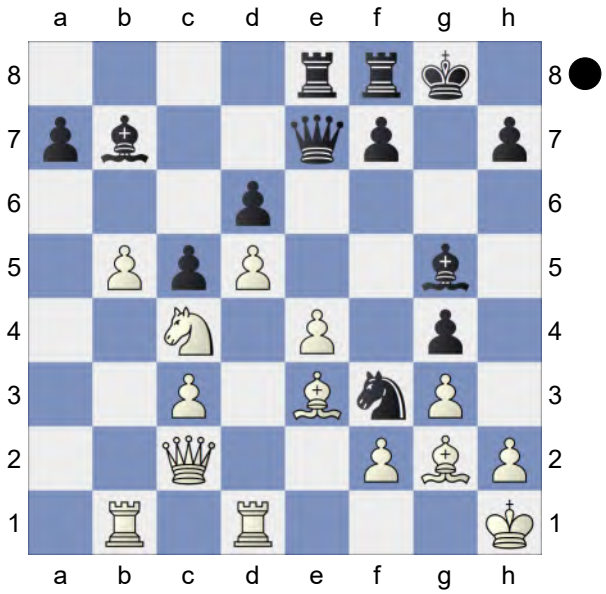
[23...Bxe3± 1.04/19 24.fxe3 *(24.Nxe3 Ne5+-)* 24...Bc8]

24.Bg2

(Diagram)

Strongly threatening Bg2xf3. **24...Bc8?** 3.22/20

[24...Bxe3 1.62/19 was necessary.



25.Bxf3 *(25.fxe3 Bc8+-; 25.Nxe3 Ne5+-)* 25...gxf3]

25.Bxf3 Bxe3 26.Bg2 Bg5 27.Re1 f6 28.f4 gxf3 29.Bxf3 Kh8 30.Bh5 Rd8 31.Na5 f5 Black is weak on the light squares **32.Nc6 Qf6** 4.04/21

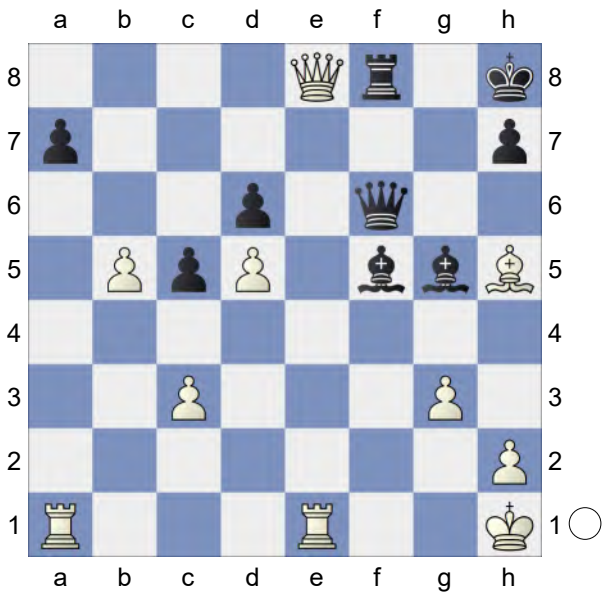
[⌓32...Qg7 2.62/20 33.Nxd8 Bxd8]

33.Nxd8 Qxd8 34.Ra1 fxe4 35.Qxe4

[But not 35.Rxa7 Qb6]

35...Bf5 36.Qe8 Qf6? 5.84/22

[36...Bd2 3.24/21 37.Qxd8 Rxd8]



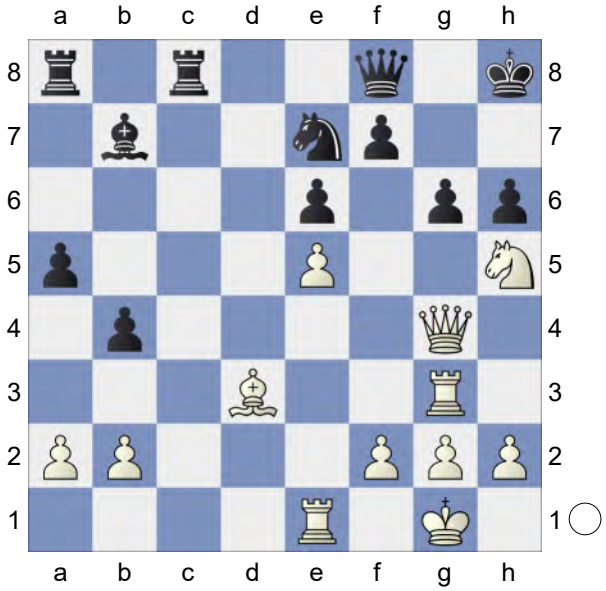
37.Rxa7 Bd2 8.76/24

[⌓37...Qd8 5.09/19 38.Qxd8 Rxd8]
38.Rf7 Weighted Error Value: White=0.20 (precise) /Black=0.66
1-0

D48

□ **Ragozin,Viacheslav**
■ **Levenfish,Grigory**
Moscow (9) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D48: Semi-Slav: Meran System: 7...b5 8 Bd3 a6 **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.e3 e6 5.Nc3 Nbd7 6.Bd3 dxc4 7.Bxc4 b5 8.Bd3 a6 9.e4 b4 10.Na4 c5 11.e5 Nd5 12.0-0 cxd4 13.Re1** White is slightly better. **13...Nc5** 0.97/18
[13...Bb7= 0.08/18]
14.Bg5±
[And not 14.Nxd4 Nxd3 15.Qxd3 Bd7∓]
14...Qa5 1.68/21
[14...Qd7± 0.87/21 15.Nxc5 Bxc5]
15.Nxc5+- Bxc5 16.Rc1 1.02/20
[White should try 16.Nd2 1.46/21]
16...h6± 17.Bh4 Be7 18.Bxe7 Nxe7 19.Nxd4 0.38/20
[White should play 19.Be4± 1.46/22 Nd5 20.Nxd4 *(20.Qxd4 Bb7±)*]
19...0-0N 1.06/20
[19...Bb7!± 0.38/20 20.Bb1 Rd8 21.Nb3 Rxd1 22.Nxa5 Rxe1+ 23.Rxe1 Bd5 24.f4 Kd7 25.Rc1 Rc8 26.Rxc8 Kxc8 27.Nb3 Kc7 28.Kf2 Kb6 29.g3 Bxb3 30.axb3 Kc5 31.Ke3 Nc6 32.Bc2 Nd4 33.Bd1 Kd5 34.Kd3 g6 ½-½ Koshnitsky,G-Salm,M Australia ch-02 4548 corr CCLA 1945]
20.Qg4 0.13/20 White is much more active. The black rooks are passive.
[20.Bb1± 1.06/20]
20...Bb7!= 21.Re3 Rfc8 0.86/21
[21...Rac8= 0.19/19 keeps the balance. 22.Rce1 Bd5]
22.Rce1!± Nd4xe6! would now be deadly. **22...Qd8** 0.49/21
[22...Bd5= 0.01/21 deserves consideration.]
23.Rg3 Qf8 24.Ne2 a5 25.Nf4 aiming for Nf4-h5. **25...Kh8 26.Nh5 g6**



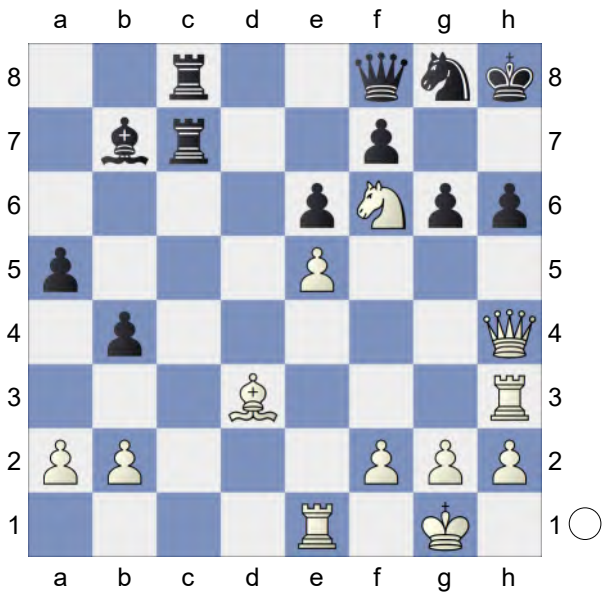
27.Qh4 Rc7
[27...Rd8 28.h3]
28.Nf6 Rac8 29.Rh3 0.01/22
[Better is 29.h3!± 0.63/20]
29...Ng8 0.94/20
[29...Rc1= 0.01/22 30.Qxh6+ Qxh6 31.Rxh6+ Kg7 32.Rh7+ Kf8]

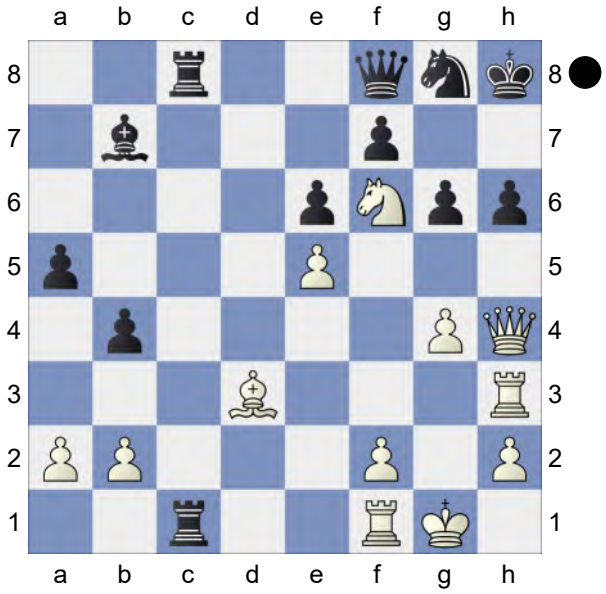
(Diagram)

30.g4? -3.18/22
[30.Qf4!± 0.94/20 keeps the pressure on.]
30...Rc1-+ 31.Rf1

(Diagram)

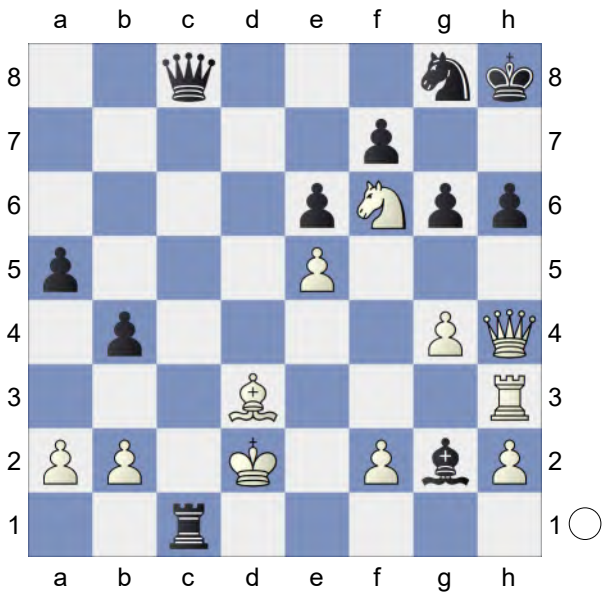
Rxf1+! 32.Kxf1 Rc1+ 33.Ke2 Bg2





34.Kd2? -6.62/19
[34.Qg5 -2.38/21 Ra1 *(34...Bxh3 35.Qxc1 Nxf6* Remove Defender *36.exf6∓; 34...Rh1? 35.Rh4-+)* 35.Rh4 Bf1+ *(35...Rxa2 36.Nd7±*) 36.Kd2]
34...Qc8? 0.01/20
[34...Ra1-+ -6.62/19 35.Re3 Qc5 *(35...Rxa2? 36.Bc4-+)*]

(Diagram)



35.Qxh6+!= The position is equal. **35...Nxh6 36.Rxh6+ Kg7 37.Rh7+ Kf8** And now ...Kf8-e7 would win. **38.Rh8+! Ke7 39.Ng8+ Kf8 40.Nf6+** And White is the lucky defender. Weighted Error Value: White=0.55/Black=0.39
½-½

A50

□ **Spielmann,Rudolf**
■ **Chekhover,Vitaly**
Moscow (10) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A50: Queen's Fianchetto Defence (1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 b6) Ljubojevic,Lj: 'Inf 48/(60)'
1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 b6N
[2...g6 3.f3 *(3.Nf3 Bg7 4.g3 c5 5.Bg2 cxd4 6.Nxd4 0-0 7.Nc3 Nc6 8.0-0 Nxd4 9.Qxd4 d6 10.Bd2 Bd7 11.c5 Ne8 12.Qb4 a5 13.Qxb7 Rb8 14.Qa7 Rxb2 15.Ne4 Rxd2 16.Nxd2 Bxa1 17.Rxa1 dxc5* Ljubojevic,L (2635)-Ehlvest,J (2620) Beograd 48/(60) 1989*; 3.Nd2 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Ngf3 0-0 6.Bd3 c5 7.d5 e6 8.0-0 Re8 9.h3 Na6 10.Re1 Bd7 11.Nf1*

exd5 12.cxd5 c4 13.Bc2 Nc5 14.Ng3 Bb5 15.Bg5 h6 16.Bd2 Nfd7 17.Bc3 Ba6 1-0 Lazarevic,M (2646)-9.b3 ♖e8 10.h3_68766 (2531) French Championship Cande 2011*)* 3...Nc6 4.e4 e5 5.dxe5 Nxe5 6.Be3 Bg7 7.Nc3 0-0 8.Qd2 d6 9.Rd1 c6 10.b3 d5 11.Nge2 Qa5 12.cxd5 cxd5 13.exd5 Re8 14.Ng3 Neg4 15.fxg4 Qb6 16.Be2 Qxe3 17.Qxe3 Gomez Vasquez,L-Machado Escanio, M 4.d4 cxd4 5.Nxd4 Rare moves 2023]

[2...e6 3.a3 b6 4.Nc3 Bb7 5.f3 *(5.Bg5 Be7 6.Qc2 h6 7.Bh4 d5 8.e3 Nbd7 9.Bg3 Nh5 10.Nf3 Nxg3 11.hxg3 c6 12.cxd5 cxd5 13.Bb5 0-0 14.Qa4 Nf6 15.Ne5 Qd6 16.Bc6 Bxc6 17.Nxc6 a6 18.Nxe7+ Qxe7 19.Qd1 Rfc8* 0-1 2.c4 g6 3.♘c3-Jakubovic,N (2045) 49/134 Reggio Emilia 1989*)* 5...d5 6.e3 Be7 7.Bd3 0-0 8.Nge2 c5 9.0-0 Nc6 10.dxc5 dxc4 11.Bxc4 Ne5 12.Ba2 Bxc5 13.b4 Be7 14.Nd4 Nd5 15.Nce2 Rc8 16.Qb3 Nc4 17.e4 1-0 Kaplan,I (1766)-Romero,S (1914) Nassau-ch 2009 (2)]

3.Nc3 Bb7 4.Qc2 d5 5.cxd5 Nxd5 6.e4 Nxc3 7.bxc3 e5 8.Nf3 exd4 White is slightly better. **9.Bb5+ c6 10.Bc4**

(Diagram)

Nf3-e5 is the strong threat. **10...b5 11.Be2 dxc3 12.Qxc3 Nd7** 1.06/19

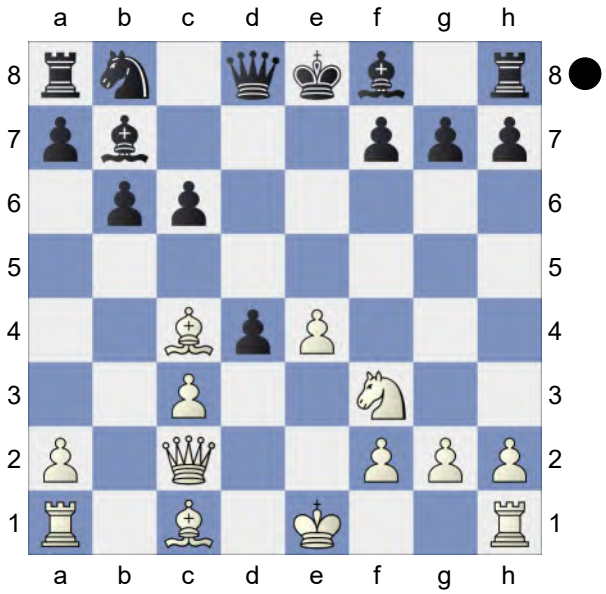
[12...b4!± 0.60/18 13.Qe5+ Qe7]

13.0-0± White has strong compensation. White is more active. **13...Qc7** 1.34/20

[Black should play 13...Nc5 0.88/17]

14.Bb2 Nc5 15.Qc2 0.44/20

[15.Qe3± 1.12/19]



15...Ne6!± 16.a4 0.07/20

[Better is 16.Rad1± 0.78/19]

16...a6 17.axb5 0.01/24

[17.Nd4± 0.38/18 Nxd4 18.Bxd4]

17...axb5 1.15/23

[17...cxb5= 0.01/24 keeps the balance. 18.Qxc7 Nxc7]

18.Rxa8+± Bxa8 19.Rd1 0.45/22

[19.Nd4± 1.36/21 Hoping for Nd4xe6. Bd6 20.Nxe6 Discovered Attack fxe6 21.Bh5+ Kd8 22.Rd1]

19...Qb7? 3.87/21 Loses the game.

[Black should try 19...Bd6± 0.45/22]

20.Ne5+- Be7 21.Bh5 Rf8

[Don't blunder 21...0-0? 22.Rd7+-]

22.Qb3 Inhibits c6-c5. **22...g6?** 6.03/20

[22...Qc8 3.27/20 23.h4 *(23.Nd7 Qxd7 24.Rxd7 Kxd7+-)* 23...Bb7]

23.Bg4 White is clearly winning.

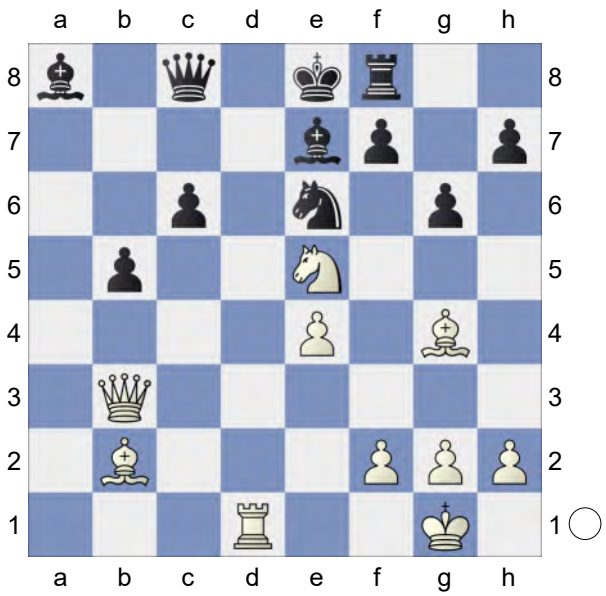
23...Qc8

(Diagram)

24.Nxf7! Decoy **24...Kxf7**

[24...Nd4 25.Qh3]

25.Qf3+ Ke8 26.Qh3! Nf4 27.Bd7+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.17 (very precise) /Black=0.83



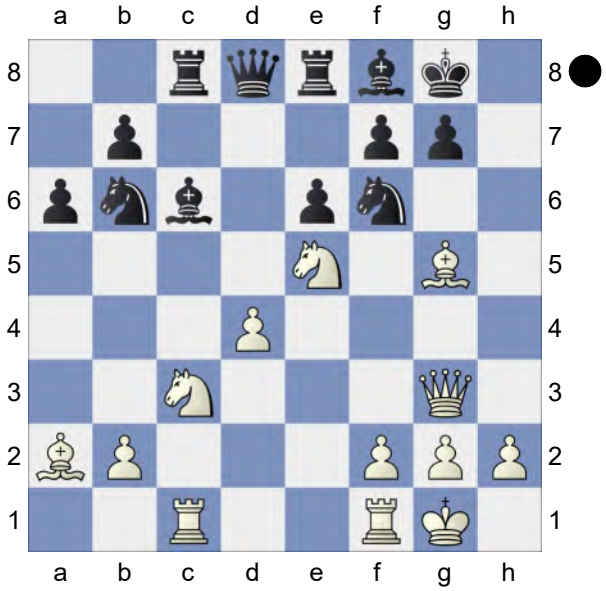
[Worse is 27.Bxc8 Nxh3+ 28.Bxh3 Bc5∓]

1-0

D64

□ **Alatortsev,Vladimir**
■ **Goglidze,Victor Arsentievich**
Moscow (10) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D64: Queen's Gambit Declined: Classical: 7 Rc1 c6 8 Qc2 **1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Be7 5.Nc3 0-0 6.e3 Nbd7 7.Rc1 a6 8.Qc2 Re8 9.a3 c6 10.Bd3 h6 11.Bf4** -0.05/20
[11.Bxf6± 0.35/19 Bxf6 12.0-0]
11...dxc4= 12.Bxc4 c5N
[12...b5 13.Be2 Bb7 14.0-0 c5 15.dxc5 Nxc5 16.Rfd1 Qb6 17.Be5 Rac8 18.Bd4 Bxf3 19.Bxf3 Qb8 20.Bxc5 Rxc5 21.Qb1 Rec8 22.Ne4 7.♗d3 ♕h5 8.00_71627-Bauld,R Budapest 1984]
13.Ba2 White is slightly better. **13...cxd4 14.exd4**
[14.Nxd4 is interesting. e5 15.Bxf7+ Kxf7 16.Qb3+]
14...Nb6 0.45/20
[14...b5= -0.19/18]
15.0-0± Bd7 16.Ne5 Rc8
[16...Nbd5 simplifies 17.Nxd5 Nxd5 18.Bxd5 exd5 19.Qb3 Bb5]
17.Qd3 Bc6 1.45/21
[Black should try 17...Nbd5± 0.60/18 18.Nxd5 Nxd5]
18.Bxh6± Bxa3 2.40/18
[18...gxh6? 19.Bxe6 Kg7 *(19...fxe6 20.Qg6+ Kh8 21.Nf7#)* 20.Nxf7+- *(20.Bxc8 Qxc8 21.Ne2 Bf8±)*]
[18...Nbd7± 1.32/21 might work better.]
19.Qg3 1.40/20
[But not 19.bxa3 gxh6 20.Qh3 h5 21.Qg3+ Kf8]
[19.Bxg7+- 2.40/18 Bd6 20.Nxc6 bxc6 21.Bxf6 Qxf6 22.Qxa6]
19...Bf8 20.Bg5



And now Rc1-e1 would win. **20...Be7 21.Qh3** Wards off Nf6-h5. Ne5xf7! is the strong threat. **21...Nh7 22.Be3 Nf8 23.Bb1 Bd5** 1.61/19
[23...Bf6± 0.89/18]
24.Qg4 0.61/19
[24.Qh5+- 1.61/19 g6 25.Nxg6 Demolition fxg6 26.Bxg6 Nxg6

27.Qxg6+ Kh8 28.Nxd5 exd5 29.Bf4]

24...Bf6± 25.Rcd1 0.18/20

[25.Bf4± 0.59/17 feels stronger.]

25...Nc4= 26.Nxc4 Rxc4 27.Nxd5 exd5 28.Bd3 -0.21/21

[28.Rd2 0.16/20 might be stronger.]

28...Rb4 29.Rd2 Qb6 30.Re1? -2.35/21

[30.h4= -0.02/19]

30...g6 -0.91/21

[Less strong is 30...Rxb2 31.Rxb2 Qxb2 32.Qf5∓]

[30...Bxd4-+ -2.35/21 31.Qf3 g6 *(31...Rxb2 32.Rxb2 Qxb2 33.Rb1=)*]

31.h4 -1.75/21

[31.Bf1∓ -0.91/21]

31...Bxd4-+

[31...Rxb2 32.Rxb2 Qxb2 33.h5±]

32.Bxg6? -5.86/20

[32.Qg3 -1.73/21]

32...Bxe3 -2.36/21

[⌓32...Nxg6 -5.86/20 33.Qg3 Bxe3 *(33...Bxb2? 34.Rdd1-+)* 34.Rxe3 Rxe3 35.fxe3 Rxh4 *(35...Rxb2? 36.Rxd5 Rb5 37.Rxb5-+)* 36.Rxd5 Qxb2]

33.Bxf7+ Kxf7 34.Qh5+ Qg6 35.Qxg6+ -4.79/21

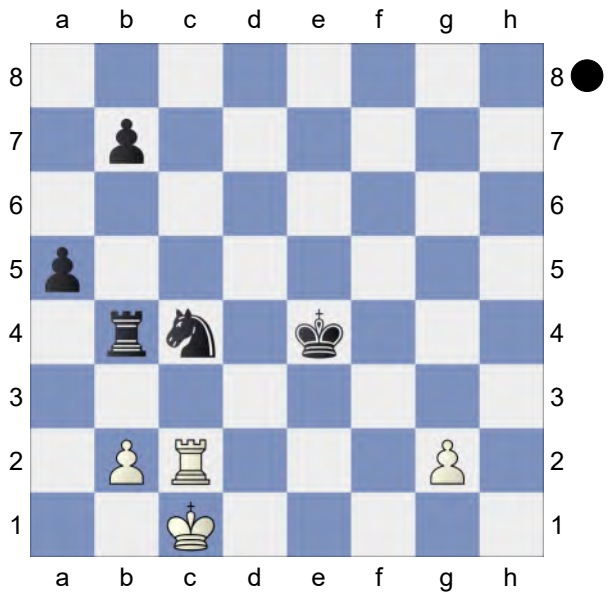
[35.Qxd5+ -1.90/22 was the only chance. Kg7 36.Rxe3 Rxh4 37.Qxb7+ Kh8 38.Qf3]

35...Nxg6 Black is clearly winning.

36.fxe3 Rxh4 37.Rxd5 Rhe4 38.Rf1+ Kg7 39.Rd7+ R8e7 40.Rxe7+ Nxe7 Endgame. KRN-KR **41.Re1 Rb4 42.Re2 Kf6 43.Kf2 Kf5 44.Ke1 Ke4 45.Kd1 Nd5 46.Kc2 a5 47.Kc1 Nxe3 48.Rd2 Nc4 49.Rc2**

(Diagram)

Nxb2! Quite a comeback for Black.



Weighted Error Value: White=0.59/ Black=0.42

0-1

E39

□ **Botvinnik,Mikhail**

■ **Lisitsin,Georgy**

Moscow (10) 1935

[Kitty Kat]

E39: Nimzo-Indian: Classical: 4...c5 5 dxc5 0-0 **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Qc2 c5 5.dxc5 0-0 6.Nf3 Nc6 7.e3 Bxc5 8.a3**

[8.Be2 d5 9.0-0 dxc4 10.Bxc4 a6 11.a3 Qe7 12.b4 Bd6 13.Bb2 Ne5 14.Be2 Qc7 15.Nxe5 Bxe5 16.f4 Bd6 17.Rae1 Qb6 18.Rf3 Bd7 19.Rh3 Rac8 20.Bd3 h6 21.Rf1 Rfd8 22.Qe2 e5 0-1 Engemann,T (2069)-Ronge,T (2266) Rheinland Pfalz op 13th Engers 2023 (3)]

8...d5 9.b4 Bd6 10.c5N

[10.Bb2 Qe7 *(10...a5 11.cxd5 axb4 12.dxc6 bxc3 13.Qxc3 Bc7 14.Qc2 Ba5+ 15.Bc3 Ne4 16.Bxa5 Qxa5+ 17.Nd2 Rd8 18.Rd1 Nxd2 19.Rxd2*

Rxd2 20.Qxd2 bxc6 21.Bd3 Kf8 22.Qxa5 Rxa5 23.Ke2 Rxa3 24.Rb1 Ke7 25.Rb8 0-1 Corrigan,F-Martin Clemente,F Kobenhavn 52/188 1991 *Ra2+ 26.Ke1 Bd7 27.Bxh7 g6 28.Rb7 Ra8* 0-1 Bukhman,E-Lutikov,A URS-ch39 Semifinal Perm 1971*)* 11.Be2 dxc4 12.Bxc4 Ne5 13.Nxe5 Bxe5 14.Ne2 Bxb2 15.Qxb2 Bd7 16.0-0 Rfc8 17.Rac1 Rc7 18.Bd3 Rac8 19.Rxc7 Rxc7 20.Rc1 ½-½ Pachman,L-Gipslis,A October Revolution 50 Moscow 1967 (15)]

10...Bc7 11.Bb2 Qe7 12.Rd1 Rd8 13.Bd3 -0.32/21

[White should play 13.Nb5± 0.31/19]

13...e5∓ White must now prevent ...e5-e4. **14.Be2 Bg4 15.Ng5** -0.43/21

[15.h3= -0.01/18 should be considered. Bxf3 16.gxf3]

15...Bxe2 16.Nxe2 h6 -0.06/20

[16...Rac8∓ -0.52/20]

17.Nf3= d4 18.e4 -1.30/20

[18.exd4= 0.09/20 e4 19.Nfg1]

18...Qe6 -0.81/19

[⌓18...Rac8 -1.30/20 19.Ng3 Qe6]

19.0-0∓ Nh5 -0.41/19

[19...Rdc8∓ -0.87/20 20.Qd3 b6]

20.Ne1 -0.95/19

[20.Bc1∓ -0.41/19]

20...g5 -0.04/20

[20...b6∓ -0.95/19 21.Nd3 bxc5 22.bxc5 Nf6]

21.Ng3= Ng7 22.Nd3 Ne7 23.f3 -0.21/19

[23.a4 0.18/18 deserves consideration.]

23...Rf8 0.35/18

[Black should try 23...b5= -0.21/19]

24.Bc1± Rad8 0.59/19

[24...b5= 0.23/19 was preferrable.]

25.Bd2 Kh7 26.Rc1 Rc8 27.Qc4 0.35/20

[27.a4± 0.74/19]

27...Qd7 1.04/21

[27...Qxc4± 0.35/20 28.Rxc4 Ng6]

28.b5 Bb8 29.a4 Ne6 1.56/19

[⌓29...f6 0.91/20]

30.Rc2 0.52/20 White is much more active.

[30.Nh5± 1.56/19 f6 31.Bb4]

30...Bd6! 31.Qb4

[31.Nh5!? f6 32.cxd6 Rxc4 33.dxe7 Qxe7 34.Rxc4±]

31...Nxc5 32.Nxc5 -1.50/22

[32.Rxc5± 0.60/24 was forced to keep a grip. Qe6 33.Qa3]

32...Rxc5∓ 33.Rxc5 b6! Pin **34.Qc4** -1.54/23 **Bxc5**

[34...bxc5 35.Rc1∓]

35.Qd3 Rc8 36.Rc1 Bd6 -0.91/22

[⌓36...Kg6 -1.52/19 37.Nh1 Qe6]

37.Ne2 -1.45/21

[⌓37.Rxc8 -0.91/22 Qxc8 38.Qb3]

37...Rxc1+ 38.Nxc1 f5 39.Ne2 Bc5 40.Kf1 Kg7 41.h3 f4 -0.63/24

[41...Kf6∓ -1.25/17 42.Ke1 f4]

42.Qc4 -1.08/25

[42.Nc1∓ -0.63/24 is more appropriate.]

42...Kf6

[42...Nc8 simplifies 43.Nc1 Qf7 44.Qxf7+ Kxf7 45.Ke2 Nd6]

43.Nc1 Qe6 44.Qc2 h5! 45.Nd3 Bd6 46.Be1 Qc8 47.Qb3 Qe6 0.01/22

[47...Ng6∓ -0.80/22]

48.Qc2!= Kf7↑ Black has the initiative.

49.Bb4 Kf6 0.01/22

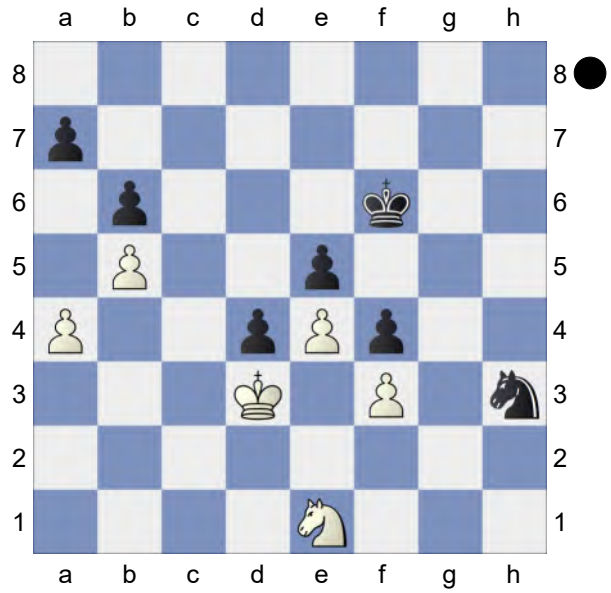
[49...Bxb4∓ -0.75/23 50.Nxb4 Qc8 *(50...g4 51.fxg4 hxg4 52.hxg4=)* 51.Qa2+ Kg7]

50.Ke1 -1.00/23

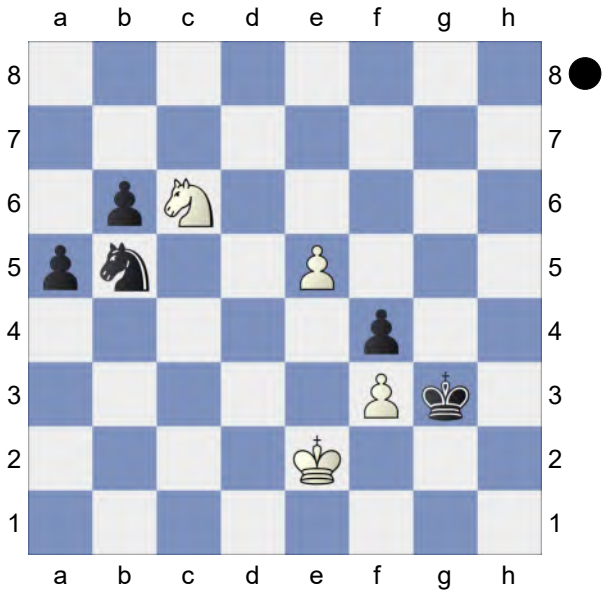
[50.Be1!= 0.01/22 remains equal.]

50...Bxb4+∓ 51.Nxb4 Endgame. KQN-KQN **51...g4 52.hxg4 hxg4 53.fxg4?** -2.81/23

[53.Qc7∓ -1.11/24 was worth a try.]
53...Qxg4-+ 54.Qf2 Ke6 55.Qf3 Qxf3 -1.05/22
[55...Qg3+!-+ -2.39/23 56.Kf1 Kd6]
56.gxf3 KN-KN **56...Kd6 57.Kd2 Ng6 58.Kd3** -1.86/30
[58.Nd3∓ -0.78/32]
58...Nf8! 59.Kc4 Ne6 60.Nd3 Ng5 61.Ne1 Ke6 62.Kd3 -1.26/33
[62.Kb3-+ -1.62/32]
62...Kd6 0.01/29
[62...Ke7∓ -1.26/33 63.Ke2 Ne6]
63.Kc4= Nh3 64.Nd3 Prevents Nh3-f2.
64...Ng1 65.Ne1 Ke6 66.Kd3 Nh3 67.Kd2 Kf6 -0.62/33
[67...Kd6!∓ -1.13/30 Threatens to win with ...Nh3-g5. 68.Ke2 Kc5 69.Nd3+ Kc4]
68.Kd3 -1.72/29
[Better is 68.Ke2∓ -0.62/33]



68...Ke6? 0.01/32
[68...Ke7!-+ -1.72/29 Strongly threatening ...Ke7-d7. 69.Ke2 Kd6]
69.Ke2? -1.82/34
[69.Kd2!= 0.01/32]
69...Kd6-+ 70.Nd3 Ng5 71.Nb2? -3.65/32
[71.Kf2 -1.90/32 was the only chance.]
71...Nf7? -0.89/33
[71...Kc5-+ -3.65/32 and Black stays clearly on top. 72.Nd3+ Kc4]
72.Nd3 Nd8 73.Nb2 Nb7 74.Kd1 -1.95/33
[74.Kd3∓ -0.91/30]
74...Nc5 75.Kc2 Ke6 76.Kd1? -3.36/29
[76.Kd2∓ -1.29/29 was the only defense.]
76...Kf6? -1.23/31
[76...d3-+ -3.36/29 is more deadly. 77.Kd2 Nb3+ 78.Kxd3 Nd4]
77.Ke2∓ Kg5 78.Nc4 Nd7 79.Kf2? -3.48/29
[79.a5∓ -1.53/30 is a better defense.]
79...Kh4-+ 80.Kg2 d3 81.Kf2 Kh3 82.Nd2 Nc5? -1.01/26
[82...Nf8-+ -4.33/27 has better winning chances. ...Nf8-e6 is the strong threat. 83.Nc4 Ng6]
83.Nc4∓ Nxa4 Hoping for ...Na4-c3.
84.Nxe5 d2? -2.60/22
[84...Nc5∓ -1.09/29]
85.Ke2-+ Nc3+ 86.Kxd2 Nxb5 87.Nc6 Kg3 88.Ke2 a5 89.e5



Nc7! 90.Nd4 b5 -0.01/28

[90...a4∓ -1.30/24 aiming for ...a4-a3. 91.e6 a3]

91.e6= The position is equal. **91...a4 92.e7 b4 93.Nc2 b3 94.Na3 Ne8 95.Nc4 Kg2 96.Na3 Kg3**

[96...b2!?]

97.Nc4 Kg2

[97...b2!? 98.Na3□ Kg2=]

98.Na3 Kg3

[98...b2!?]

99.Nc4 b2 100.Na3! Kh3 101.Nb1 Kh4 102.Kd3 Kh3 103.Ke2 Nc7 104.Na3 Kh4 105.Kd2 Kg5 106.Kc2 Kf6 107.Nb5 Deflection, Promotion. Black had all chances to win. Weighted Error Value: White=0.32/Black=0.32

½-½

D31

□ **Capablanca,Jose Raul**
■ **Bohatirchuk,Fedor Parfenovich**
Moscow (10) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D61: Queen's Gambit Declined: Classical: 7 Qc2 **1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 a6 4.cxd5 exd5 5.Nf3 Nf6**

[5...c6 6.e4 dxe4 7.Ng5 Be7 8.Bc4 Nh6 9.Ngxe4 Nf5 10.d5 0-0 11.0-0 cxd5 12.Nxd5 Nc6 13.Qh5 Be6 14.Nxe7+ Qxe7 15.Ng5 h6 16.Nxe6 fxe6 17.Bd2 Nfd4 18.Rad1 Rf5 19.Qh3 Rd8 20.Be3 0-1 C 06/32 (2784)-Molina,R (2851) EUCup Poliot-Wasa Soviet Union 1991 (7)]

6.Bg5

[6.g3 Be7 7.Bg2 0-0 8.0-0 c6 9.Qb3 Nbd7 10.Rd1 Nb6 11.Ne5 Be6 12.Qc2 h6 13.b3 Re8 14.Bb2 Bd6 15.h3 Rc8 16.Nf3 Rc7 17.a4 a5 18.e3 Qc8 19.Kh2 Bf5 20.Qe2 Rce7 0-1 Sanchez Alvarez,K (2243)-Svane,F (2600) La Roda op 49th 2023 (8)]

6...Be7N

[6...Be6 7.e3 Nbd7 8.h3 Bd6 9.Bd3 c6 10.0-0 Qc7 11.Qd2 h6 *(11...0-0 12.Rfe1 h6 13.Bf4 Rfe8 14.Rac1 Rad8 15.b3 Qb8 16.Bxd6 Qxd6 17.Qb2 g6 18.Nd2 Nh5 19.Na4 Ng7 20.b4 Nf6 21.Nc5 Re7 22.a4 Bf5 23.b5 axb5 24.axb5 Rb8 25.Rb1 Ree8 26.Rec1* 1-0 Le,Q (2709)-Duda,J (2760) Airthings Masters Prelim chess24.com INT rapid 2022 (5)*)* 12.Bf4 g5 13.Bxd6 Qxd6 14.Qc2 Rg8 15.Ne2 h5 16.Ng3 g4 17.hxg4 hxg4 18.Nh4 Rh8 19.Nhf5 Bxf5 20.Bxf5 0-0-0 21.Qc5 0-1 Edouard,R (2551)-Cornette,M (2551) FRA-ch 95th Albi 2022 (2.2)]

7.e3 0-0 8.Bd3 Nbd7 9.0-0 Re8 10.Qc2 Nf8 11.Rfc1 c6 12.Rab1 Nh5 13.Bxe7 White is slightly better. **13...Rxe7 14.b4 g6 15.a4 Bd7 16.b5 axb5 17.axb5 Be8 18.Na4 Ng7 19.Ne5 f6 20.Ng4 Nh5 21.Nc5 Kg7 22.h3 Ne6 23.Nxe6+ Rxe6 24.bxc6 bxc6 25.Rb7+** 1.09/22

[⌓25.Be2 1.52/22]

25...Re7± 26.Rcb1 Qd6 27.Rxe7+

[27.R1b6 seems wilder. Ra7 28.Rxe7+ Qxe7 29.Rb8]

27...Qxe7 28.Qb2 Kf8 29.Qb7 Ra7 30.Qb8 White is much more active. **30...Qc7 31.Qb4+ Qe7 32.Qb6 Qc7 33.Qc5+ Qe7 34.Qc1 Rb7 35.Rxb7 Qxb7 36.Nh2 Ng7 37.Nf3 Qb4 38.Ne1 Ne6 39.Be2 Ke7 40.Nd3 Qb3 41.h4 Bd7 42.g3 Kd6 43.Kg2**

[43.Nc5 with more complications. Qb4 44.Na6 Qa5 45.Qb1]

43...Ke7 44.Qa1 Qb8 Prevents Qa1-a8 **45.Qa3+ Kf7 46.Bd1 Ke8 47.Kh2 Kf7 48.Ba4** 0.40/21

[48.Bg4± 0.96/20]
48...Qb1!± 49.Qc3
[49.Qd6 is more complex. Nf8 50.Nf4 Qa2 51.Bxc6 Qxf2+ 52.Ng2]
49...Nf8 50.Ne1
[Much worse is 50.Bxc6 Bxc6 51.Qxc6 Qxd3=]
50...Qf5 51.Kg1
[But not 51.Bxc6 Qxf2+ 52.Ng2 Qf3=]
51...Qb1 52.Bc2
[52.Bxc6? too greedy. Bxc6 53.Qxc6 Qxe1+-+]
52...Qb6 53.Nd3 Ne6 54.Qa3 Ke8 55.Kg2 Qb8 56.h5 Kf7 57.Qb4 0.22/22
[Better is 57.Nc5± 0.91/18 Nxc5 58.Qxc5]
57...Qxb4= 58.Nxb4 Endgame. KBN-KBN **58...Be8 59.Ba4 Nd8** The position is equal. **60.hxg6+ hxg6 61.f4 Ke7 62.Kf3 Kd6 63.g4 Ne6 64.Kg3 Bd7 65.Nd3 Be8 66.Ne1 Bf7 67.Nd3 Be8 68.Kh4 g5+ 69.Kg3 gxf4+ 70.Nxf4 Ng5 71.Bc2 c5 72.dxc5+ Kxc5 73.Nh5 Bxh5 74.gxh5** KB-KN **74...Nf7 75.Kf4 Nh6! 76.Bb3 Kd6 77.Ba4 Kc5 78.Bd7 Kd6 79.Bc8 Kc7** Weighted Error Value: White=0.13 (very precise) /Black=0.08 (flawless)
½-½

D65

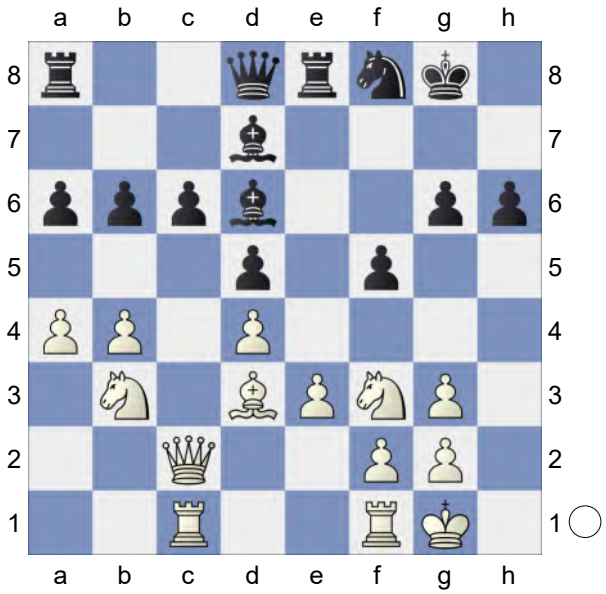
□ **Levenfish,Grigory**
■ **Pirc,Vasja**
Moscow (10) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

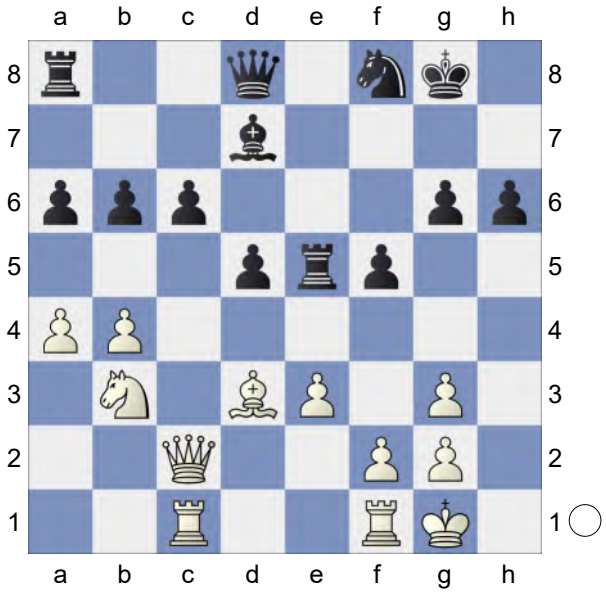
D65: Queen's Gambit Declined: Classical: 7 Rc1 c6 8 Qc2 a6 9 cxd5
1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Be7 5.e3 0-0 6.Nf3 Nbd7 7.Rc1 c6 8.Bd3 h6 9.Bh4 a6 10.cxd5 exd5 11.Qc2 Re8 12.Bg3N
[12.0-0 Ne4 *(12...Nh5 13.Bxe7 Qxe7 14.Rfe1 Nhf6 15.e4 dxe4 16.Nxe4 Nxe4 17.Bxe4 Qd8 18.d5 cxd5 19.Bxd5 Rxe1+ 20.Rxe1 Nf6 21.Bb3 Bd7 22.Ne5 Be8 23.Ng6* D 65/01 2003) 13.Bxe7 Qxe7 14.Rce1 b6 15.Bxe4 dxe4 16.Nd2 Nf6 17.Rc1 a5 18.Na4 Rb8 19.Rfd1 Ba6 20.b3 c5 21.dxc5 Rec8 22.c6 Be2 23.Re1 Bb5 24.Nc3 Bd3 25.Qd1 Rxc6 26.Ne2 Rbc8 1-0 Bellmann,H (2396)-Weber,A (2060) corr BFM 143 BdF 1999 27.Rxc6 Rxc6 28.Nd4 Rc5 29.Nf1 b5 30.a3 Rc3 31.Qa1 Qc7 32.Ng3 Kh7 33.Qd1 b4 34.axb4 axb4 35.Nge2 Ng4 36.Nf4 Qd7 37.Qa1 g5 38.Nh5 Qd6 39.Ng3 Qf6 40.Ngf5 Qe5 41.Ng3 h5 ½-½ Bellmann,H (2396)-Wolff,C (2200) corr EU/EM/M/006 ICCF 2002 42.Qd1 Qf6 43.Ndf5 Qe5 44.h3 ½-½ Cendejas,J (2396)-3.♘c3 de4 4.Se4 ♘f6 5.♘g (1989) (m/2) 126/15 Baku 2015]
12...Nf8 0.54/21
[12...Nh5= -0.03/20]
13.0-0 Nh5 White is slightly better.
14.Na4 -0.05/19
[14.Be5± 0.44/20 deserves consideration.]
14...Nxg3= 15.hxg3 Bd6 16.Nc5 g6 17.b4 f5 0.57/20
[17...Nh7= 0.01/18]
18.a4± b6 19.Nb3 Bd7

(Diagram)

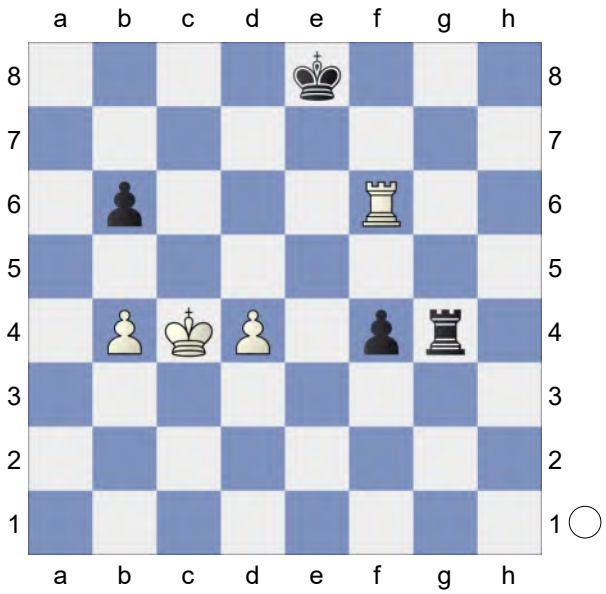
20.Ne5! Bxe5 21.dxe5 Rxe5 1.66/22
[21...Qe7!± 0.64/20]

(Diagram)





22.Nd4!+- **Qe8** **23.Nxc6** White has more active pieces. **23...Re6** **24.Nd4** **Bxa4** **25.Qe2** **Rd6** **26.Bxa6** **Ne6** **27.Nxe6** **Qxe6** **28.Bb5** Dodges Qe6-d7 **28...Bxb5** **29.Qxb5** **Rc8** Prevents Rc1-c7. **30.Rxc8+** **Qxc8±** Endgame. KQR-KQR **31.Rd1** 0.95/23
[⌓31.Ra1 1.37/23]
31...Qd7 **32.Qd3** **Qg7** **33.Kf1** 0.94/24
[White should play 33.b5+- 1.62/22]
33...Qb2 Against Rd1-c1 **34.Rb1** **Qa2** 1.44/22
[⌓34...Qg7 1.06/20 35.Rd1 d4]
35.Rc1 Qd3-d4 is the strong threat. **35...Qb2** **36.Qc3** 0.01/24
[36.Rc8+± 1.32/23 Kg7 37.Kg1 Qxb4 38.Rc7+ Kf6 39.Kh2]
36...Qxc3= **37.Rxc3** KR-KR **37...Kf7** **38.Ke2** Threatening Ke2-d3. **38...Re6** 0.39/24
[38...d4= 0.01/26 is more appropriate. 39.Rd3 Ke6]
39.Kd3± **Re4!** **40.Rc7+** **Ke8** **41.Kc3** **d4+** **42.exd4** b4-b5 would now be deadly. **42...Re2!** **43.Rc6** **Rxf2** **44.Rxg6** **Rxg2** **45.Rxh6** 0.01/24
[45.Rxb6± 0.49/20 Rxg3+ 46.Kc4]
45...Rxg3+= **46.Kc4** **f4** **47.Rf6**
[Resist 47.Rxb6 Ke7±]
47...Rg4 1.92/28
[47...Rf3= 0.01/24]



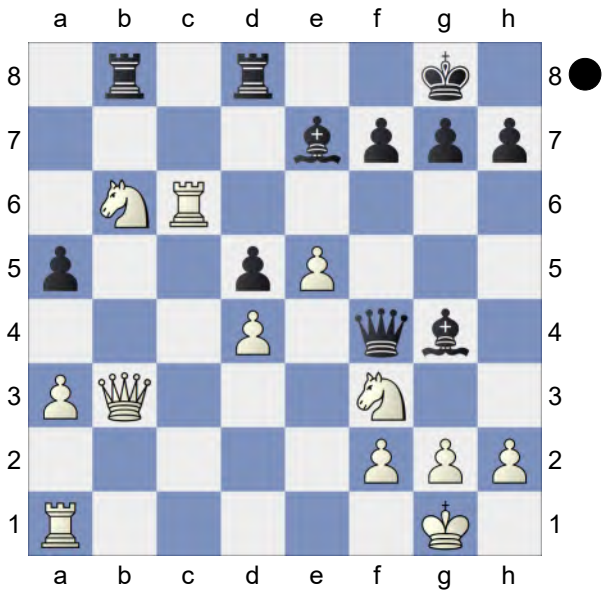
48.Rxb6? 0.01/24
[48.d5!+- 1.92/28]
48...Ke7 The position is equal. **49.Kd5** White wants to play Rb6-e6+. **49...f3** Threatens to win with ...f3-f2. **50.Re6+** **Kf7!** **51.Re1** **f2** **52.Rf1** **Rf4** **53.Kc6** **Ke8** **54.b5** **Rf6+** **55.Kc7** **Rf7+** **56.Kc8** **Ke7** **57.Kc7** **Ke8+** **58.Kc6** **Rf6+** **59.Kb7** **Rf7+** **60.Ka6** **Kd7** **61.b6**

Black must now prevent b6-b7. **61...Kc8 62.d5 Rf3 63.d6 Ra3+ 64.Kb5 Rb3+ 65.Kc5 Rc3+ 66.Kd5 Rd3+ 67.Ke5 Re3+ 68.Kd4 Re2** Blacks defense is rewarded with a draw. Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) / Black=0.17 (very precise)
½-½

D52

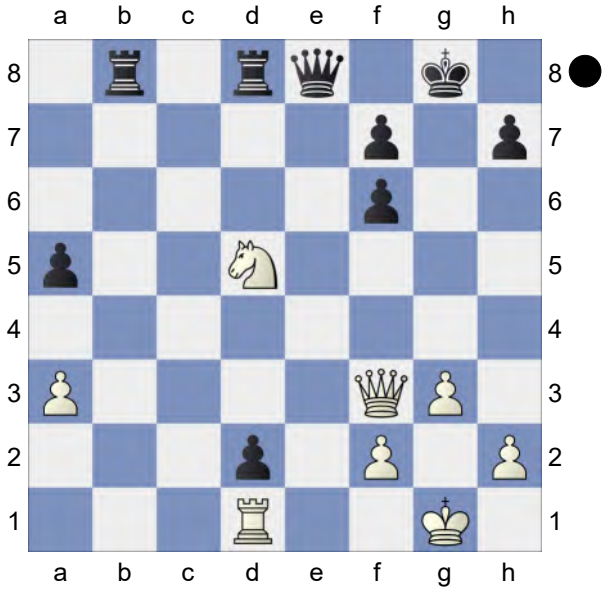
□ **Menchik,Vera**
■ **Lasker,Emanuel**
Moscow (10) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D52: Queen's Gambit Declined: Cambridge Springs Variation **1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 d5 3.c4 e6 4.Bg5 Nbd7 5.e3 c6 6.Nc3N**
[6.Nbd2 h6 *(6...Be7 7.Bd3 0-0 8.Rc1 c5 9.cxd5 Nxd5 10.Bxe7 Qxe7 11.dxc5 Nxc5 12.Bxh7+ Kxh7 13.Qc2+ Kg8 14.Qxc5 Qxc5 15.Rxc5 b6 16.Rc4 Ba6 17.Rd4 Rac8 18.Nb3 Rc2 19.Rd2 Rfc8 20.a3 Nf6 21.Kd1* 1-0 Zbarsky,Z-Petursson,P 60/211 Kuala Lumpur 1994 (6) *)* 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 Nh5 9.Bd3 Nxg3 10.hxg3 Bg7 11.Qc2 Qe7 12.Rc1 0-0 13.0-0 e5 14.cxd5 cxd5 15.dxe5 Nxe5 16.Nxe5 Qxe5 17.b4 Bg4 18.Nf3 Qb2 19.Qxb2 Bxb2 20.Rc7 Bxf3 1-0 5.f3 c6 6.♕d2 b5 (2719)-Seebacher,O (2642) corr M1628 E 1997 (6)]
[6.Bd3 Qa5+ 7.Nbd2 dxc4 8.Bxc4 Ne4 9.Bh4 g5 10.Bg3 g4 2 Chapter-Games Chapter 3 (2) Game]
6...Qa5 7.Bxf6 Nxf6 8.Bd3 dxc4 9.Bxc4 a6 0.47/20
[9...Bb4= 0.04/19]
10.0-0± Be7 11.a3 0-0 White is slightly better. **12.b4 Qc7 13.e4 a5 14.Qb3 Rd8 15.Rfc1 Qf4** 0.42/19
[15...axb4= 0.01/19 is more appropriate. 16.axb4 Rxa1 17.Rxa1 Bd7]
16.e5 Nd5 17.Bxd5 exd5 18.b5 Bd7 0.01/20
[18...a4∓ -0.38/20 19.Qb2 *(19.Nxa4 Bg4∓)* 19...Qh6]
19.Na4= Rab8 20.Nb6 Threatens to win with Nb6xd7. **20...Bg4** ...Bg4xf3 is the strong threat.
[20...Be6 is more complex. 21.a4 g5 22.Qe3 Qxe3 23.fxe3 g4]
21.bxc6 -1.15/21
[21.Qe3!= 0.01/22 keeps the balance. Qxe3 22.fxe3]
21...bxc6∓ 22.Rxc6



Bxf3 -0.85/24
[Better is 22...Bd7! -1.38/23 23.Rcc1 a4]
23.Qxf3 Qxd4 24.Rd1 Qxe5 25.g3! d4 26.Qd3 -1.81/20
[26.h4∓ -0.98/20]
26...Bf6 -0.78/21
[26...Bf8-+ -1.81/20 27.Rdc1 g6]
27.Rdc1 -1.66/22
[27.Qf3∓ -0.78/21]

27...Qe8-+ 28.Qf3 -2.89/21
[28.h4∓ -1.55/22 keeps fighting.]
28...d3 29.Rxf6? -6.17/23
[29.Rd1 -2.35/21]
29...d2 Black is clearly winning. **30.Rd1 gxf6 31.Nd5**



Rxd5! Promotion. Weighted Error Value: White=0.81/Black=0.17 (very precise)
0-1

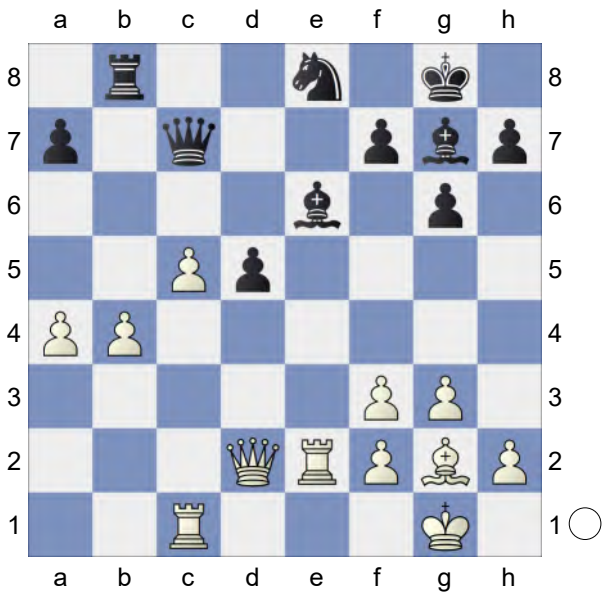
E67

□ **Rabinovich,Ilya Leontievich**
■ **Lilienthal,Andor**
Moscow (10) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

E67: King's Indian: Fianchetto: 6...Nbd7
1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.g3 0-0 5.Bg2 d6 6.0-0 Nbd7 7.Nc3
[7.Qc2 e5 8.dxe5 dxe5 9.e4 c6 10.Rd1 Qe7 11.h3 Re8 12.Be3 Nc5 13.Nbd2 a5 14.Ne1 Nfd7 15.Rac1 b6 16.Kh2 h5 17.Nef3 Ne6 18.Nb1 Bb7 19.Nc3 Rad8 20.Rd2 Rf8 21.Rcd1 Ndc5 0-1 Sundararajan,K (2491)-Nakamura,H (2770) US op 112th Orlando 2011 (8)]
7...e5
[7...c5 8.d5 Rb8 9.e4 a6 10.a4 b6 11.Re1 Ne8 12.Bf4 h6 13.Qe2 g5 14.Bc1 Nc7 15.Nd1 e6 16.Ne3 Ne5 17.Nxe5 Bxe5 18.Qh5 Bg7 19.Ng4 Kh7 20.h4 f6 21.e5 exd5 22.Nxf6+ 1-0 Mladenov,P (2405)-Louis,C (2008) Plancoet op-A 10th 2013 (3)]
8.b3 Re8 9.Qc2N
[9.dxe5 dxe5 10.Bb2 e4 11.Ne1 Ng4 12.Qc1 Ndf6 E 67/02 Chess Informant ECO E4 Survey 2008]
9...Qe7 10.Nb5 -0.11/20
[10.dxe5± 0.52/18 Nxe5 11.Bb2]
10...e4!= 11.Nxc7 exf3 The position is equal. **12.exf3 Rb8 13.Nxe8 Nxe8 14.Bb2** -0.15/19
[14.h4± 0.38/18]
14...Ndf6 0.21/20
[14...d5 -0.15/19 feels stronger.]
15.Rfe1 Qc7 16.Re2 -0.30/19
[⌓16.d5 0.26/18]
16...d5 Black has compensation. **17.c5 Be6 18.b4 b6** 0.24/17
[⌓18...Qd7 -0.17/19]
19.Qd2 -0.13/19
[⌓19.Bf1! 0.24/17]
19...Nd7 20.Rc1 bxc5 21.dxc5 Ne5! 22.Bxe5 Bxe5 23.a4 Bg7 0.82/19
[23...Bf6± 0.32/19]

(Diagram)

24.b5 0.41/19
[24.f4!± 0.82/19]
24...a6 1.80/20 Black is on the road to losing. **25.Bf1** 0.76/20
[25.bxa6 Qa7=]
[25.b6+- 1.80/20 and White stays clearly on top. Qc6 26.Qf4]
25...Bf8? 2.69/18
[25...axb5± 0.76/20 26.axb5 Qd8



(26...Rxb5? 27.Rxe6 Discovered Attack Rb8 28.Ra6+-)]

26.b6+-

[26.bxa6 Bxc5 27.Qc3 Rc8=]

26...Qc6 2.89/19

[26...Qb7 2.00/20 was called for. 27.Rxe6 fxe6]

27.Qf4 Rc8 5.08/21

[27...Rd8 3.20/20 keeps fighting. 28.Rb2 Bg7]

28.Rb2 Bd6 29.Qd4

[29.cxd6 Qxc1 30.Qxc1 Rxc1=]

29...Qb7 4.88/17

[⌓29...Ra8 3.48/19 30.b7 *(30.cxd6 Qxc1 31.Qb4 a5∓)* 30...Rb8]

30.Rbc2 Rc6 6.40/21

[⌓30...Bxc5 4.43/19 31.Rxc5 Qxb6]

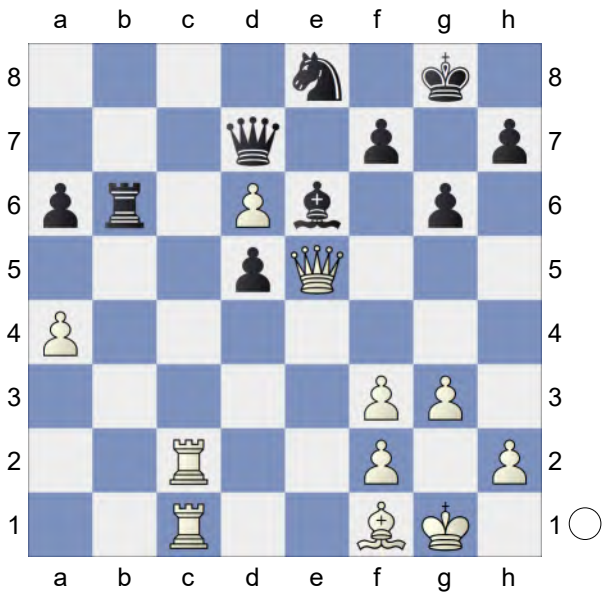
31.cxd6 Rxb6 32.Qe5 Qd7

(Diagram)

33.Rc8! f6 34.Qxf6 Rxd6 35.Qe5 Kf7 36.Qf4+ Ke7 37.Qh4+ Kf8 38.Qf4+? 0.01/18

[38.Qh6++- 9.98/20 Ke7 39.Qxh7+ Kf6 40.Qh8+ Qg7 41.Qxe8]

38...Ke7= **39.Ra8** White is clearly winning. **39...d4** **40.Rxa6** **Rxa6**



41.Bxa6 Qxa4 42.Bf1 Nf6 43.Re1 Kf7 Weighted Error Value: White=0.31/ Black=0.69

1-0

A12

□ **Romanovsky,Peter Arsenievich**

■ **Kan,Ilia Abramovich**

Moscow (10) 1935

[Kitty Kat]

A12: English Opening: 1...c6 with b3 by White Starting the tournament with a horrible blunder in a winning position that led to a 400-point upset in the first round, I didn't have very high hopes for the rest of the tournament. For the last few months, I haven't had good results, so the Washington Chess Congress ended up being the strangest tournament result of my life. Entering this round, I had drawn and beaten IMs, in a way redeeming my first round loss. It's been a good while since I held my own against a higher rated player. This round, I was paired against a GM. **1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 c6**

[2...g6 3.g3 *(3.b3 Bg7 4.Bb2 0-0 5.g3 d6 6.Bg2 c5 7.0-0 e5 8.e3 Nc6 9.d4 exd4 10.exd4 Ne4 11.Re1 f5 12.Nbd2 Nf6 13.Nf1 Ne4 14.N1d2 Nf6 15.d5 Nb4 16.Nf1 b5 17.a3 Na6* 1-0 Kobalia,M (2543)-Vasli,A (2395) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early Chess.com INT blitz 2024 (3) *)* 3...Bg7 4.Bg2 d5 5.0-0 dxc4 6.Na3 Be6 7.Ng5 Bd5 8.e4 Bc6 9.Nxc4 h6 10.Nxf7 Kxf7 11.Ne5+ Kg8 12.Nxg6 Nbd7 13.d4 Bxe4 14.Bxe4 Nxe4 15.Qd3 Nef6 16.Qb3+ Kh7 17.Qc2 0-1 Kavakul,M (2764)-Ciocaltea,V (2708) B32) 11.Nd2 2011 (7)]

3.b3 d5 4.Bb2 Bg4N

[4...e6 5.e3 Nbd7 6.d4 b6 7.Bd3 Bb7 8.0-0 dxc4 9.Bxc4 Bd6 10.Nbd2 c5 11.Qe2 cxd4 12.Nxd4 a6 13.Rfd1 Qe7 14.e4 Ne5 15.N4f3 Nxf3+ 16.Nxf3 Nxe4 17.Rd4 f5 18.Rad1 Bc5 19.Rd7 0-1 Hevia Alejano,C-Yu,J Wash Congress 2019 (8)]

5.e3 e6 6.Be2 Nbd7 7.d3 Bd6 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Bh5 The position is equal. **10.0-0 Qe7 11.Nd4 Bg6 12.cxd5 exd5 13.N2f3 Ne8 14.a3 Nc7 15.Qd2** -0.42/19

[15.b4= -0.06/20 was preferrable.]

15...Rfe8 0.01/21

[15...a5∓ -0.42/19]

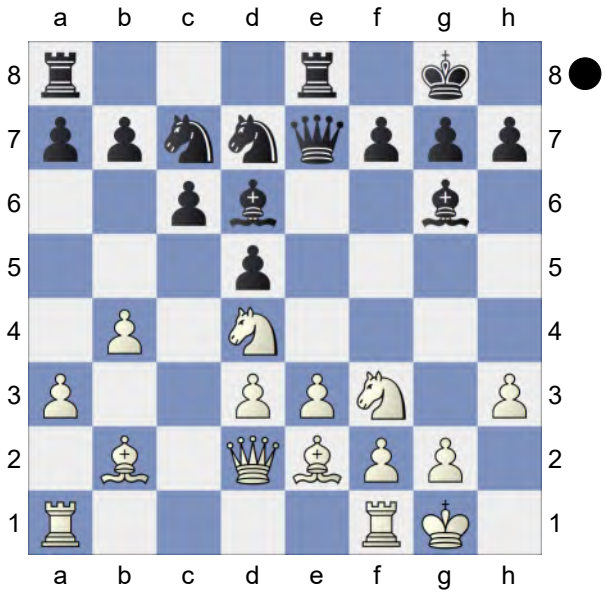
16.b4=

(Diagram)

a5! Deflection **17.bxa5 c5 18.Nc2 Nb8 19.d4 c4** White should prevent ...Nb8-c6. **20.Bc3** -0.58/22

[20.Rfb1= -0.09/21]

20...Nb5∓ 21.Bb4 Nc6 Against Nf3-e5 **22.Rfb1** -1.04/21



[22.Bxd6∓ -0.58/22 Nxd6 23.Nb4]

22...Bxc2 -0.33/23

[Black should try 22...Nxb4∓ -1.04/21 23.axb4 Be4]

23.Qxc2 Nxa5 24.Bxd6 Nxd6 25.Nd2 Nc6 Threatens to win with ...Nc6xd4.

26.Bf3 Ra5 27.Rb6 Rea8 0.01/22

[27...Qd8∓ -0.43/22 28.Rab1 Qd7]

28.Nb1!= Qc7 29.Qb2 Ne7 30.Nc3 Nec8 31.Rb4

[31.Nxd5? Rxd5-+]

31...Qc6 32.a4 f5? 2.51/24

[32...Ne7± 0.67/22]

(Diagram)

33.Rb1 1.16/22

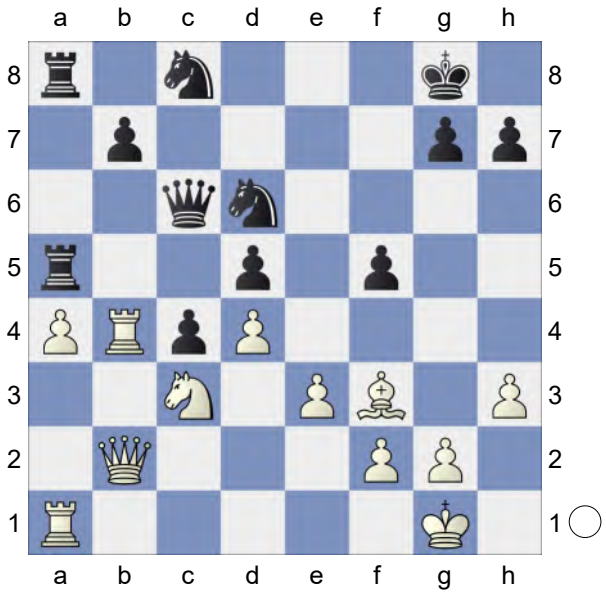
[33.Rb5!+- 2.51/24 and the rest is easy. Rxb5 34.axb5 Rxa1+ 35.Qxa1]

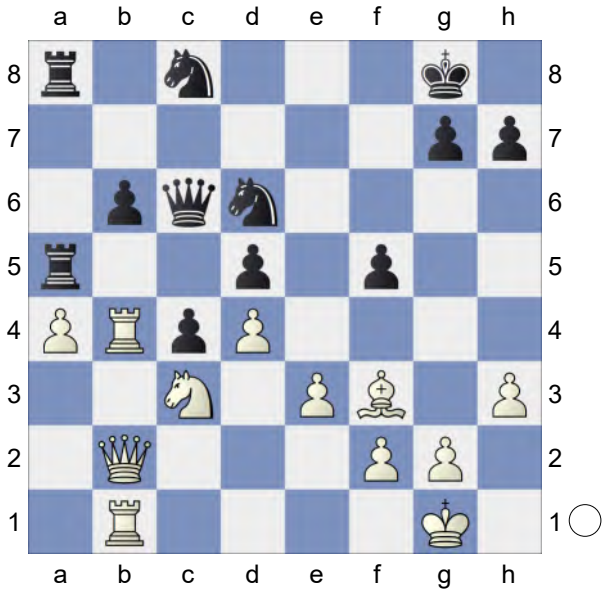
33...b6? 5.03/25

[33...Kh8± 1.16/22 is tougher.]

(Diagram)

34.Rb5! 1.75/24 **Ne4+-**





[34...Rxb5? 35.axb5 Qd7 36.Bxd5+ Kh8 37.Bxa8+-]

35.Bxe4 1.54/24

[35.Nxd5+- 1.93/25 Rxb5 36.Qxb5 Qxb5 Remove Defender 37.Rxb5 *(37.axb5 Ra5+-)* 37...Rxa4 38.Bxe4 *(38.Nxb6 Ra1+ 39.Kh2 Ncd6±)* 38...fxe4 39.Nxb6 Nxb6 40.Rxb6]

35...fxe4± 36.Qb4 0.97/22

[36.Nxd5+- 1.72/22 Black must now prevent Nd5-c3. Rxb5 37.Qxb5 Qxb5 38.axb5]

36...Rxb5 1.59/26

[Black should play 36...Kf7 0.97/22]

37.axb5? 0.01/24

[37.Qxb5± 1.59/26 Qe6 38.Qxd5 *(38.Nxd5 Ra5=)* 38...Qxd5 39.Nxd5 Rxa4 40.Nxb6 Nxb6 41.Rxb6]

37...Qc7 5.28/25

[37...Qb7!= 0.01/24 and Black stays safe.]

38.Nxd5+- White is clearly winning.

38...Qd6 39.Qxc4 Kf8 40.Nc7 Rb8 41.Ne6+ Kf7 42.Nd8+ Discovered Attack (Double Check) **42...Ke8 43.Nc6 Rb7 44.Qg8+** Skewer **44...Qf8 45.Qe6+ Ne7 46.Ra1** Weighted Error Value: White=0.33/Black=0.61

1-0

E60

□ **Stahlberg,Gideon**
■ **Flohr,Salo**
Moscow (10) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

E62: King's Indian: Fianchetto: 6...c6 and Panno Variation (6...Nc6) without ...a6 **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.g3 c6 4.d5N**

[4.Bg2 d5 5.Qa4 Bg7 6.cxd5 Nxd5 7.Nf3 0-0 8.0-0 Bg4 *(8...Nb6 9.Qc2 Na6 10.Bg5 Be6 11.Nc3 h6 12.Bf4 Nd5 13.Bd2 c5 14.Nxd5 Qxd5 15.Bc3 Nb4 16.Bxb4 cxb4 17.e3 Bf5 18.Qb3 Be4 19.Rfc1 Rac8 20.Qxd5 Bxd5 21.Nd2 Bxg2* ½-½ Balmiza Jimenez,F (2333)-8.de5 ♗b6 9. ♘bd2 ♘a5 (2334) corr 92/203 2004 (4.1)) 9.Rd1 Nb6 10.Qc2 Qc8 11.Bg5 Re8 12.Nc3 Bh3 13.e4 Bxg2 14.Kxg2 N8d7 15.Rac1 e5 16.d5 h6 17.Be3 cxd5 18.Nxd5 Qxc2 ½-½ Zvjaginsev,V (2683)-Grachev,B (2705) RUS-chT 19th Sochi 2012 (7)]

[4.Nf3 d5 5.b3 Bg7 6.Bg2 0-0 7.0-0 a5 8.Nc3 Ne4 9.Bb2 Nxc3 10.Bxc3 Bf5 *(10...Nd7 11.Rc1 Nf6 12.Ne5 Be6 13.Qc2 Qb6 14.Rfd1 Rfd8 15.e3 Bf5 16.Qe2 a4 17.b4 dxc4 18.Nxc4 Qa6 19.Bf1 Be6 20.Be1 Bxc4 21.Rxc4* 2 De Vuyst,J-3.♘f3 ♘d7 4.g3_31998 Chapter 11 Part 2 Game *)* 11.e3 Nd7 12.Qe2 Be4 13.Rfc1 e6 14.Bf1 Bxf3 15.Qxf3 f5 16.cxd5 exd5 17.b4 axb4 18.Bxb4 Rf7 4 De Vuyst,J-3.♘f3 ♘d7 4.g3_31998 Chapter 12 Part 1 Game]

4...d6 5.Bg2 Bg7 6.Nc3 0-0 7.Nf3 e5 8.dxc6 bxc6 9.0-0 Qc7 10.b3 Rd8 11.Bb2 Nbd7 12.Nd2 And now Nc3-b5 would win. The position is equal.

12...Bb7 13.Qc2 -0.68/19

[13.Rc1= 0.10/19]

13...d5∓ 14.e3 d4 15.exd4 exd4 16.Na4 c5 17.Bxb7 Qxb7 18.Rae1 Bf8 19.Bc1 Re8 Prevents Re1-e2

20.Qd1 -1.22/20

[⌓20.Nb2 -0.84/21]

20...Ne5∓ Black is more active. **21.Ba3** -1.67/20

[21.h3∓ -1.19/19]

21...Qc6-+ 22.h3 -2.25/19

[⌓22.f4 -1.66/19 Neg4 23.Rxe8 Rxe8 24.Re1]

22...Re6 23.f4 Nd3

(Diagram)

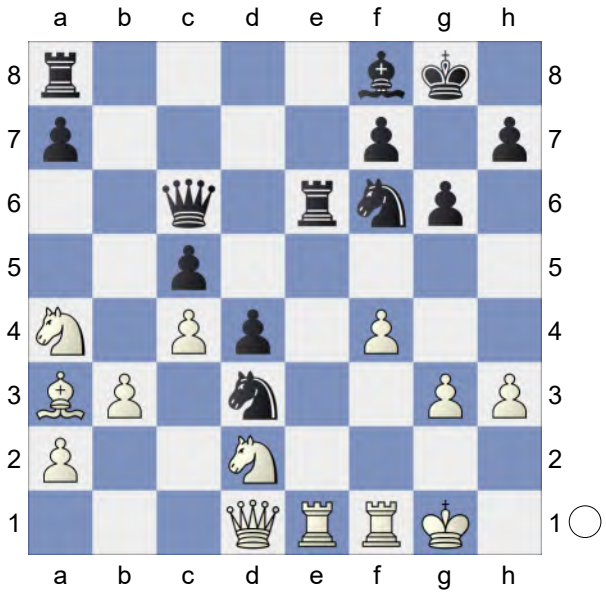
Discovered Attack **24.Rxe6 Qxe6**

[Not 24...fxe6 25.Qe2 Nb4 26.Bxb4 cxb4 27.Re1+-]

25.Rf3 -4.02/21

[25.Nf3 -2.85/22 was called for. Qe3+ 26.Kh2]

25...Ne1 White must now prevent ...Ra8-e8. **26.Rf1 Re8** Black is clearly winning. **27.Kh2 Qe2+ 28.Qxe2 Rxe2+ 29.Kg1**



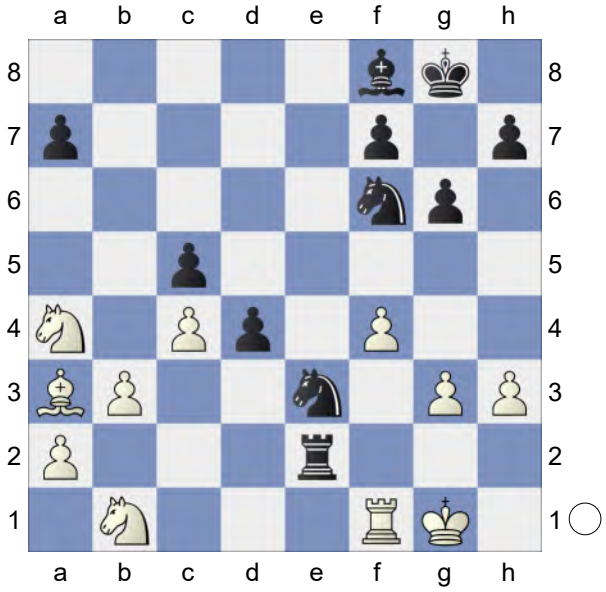
Nc2

[Less strong is 29...Rxd2 30.Rxe1 Rxa2 31.Bxc5 Bxc5 32.Nxc5∓]

30.Nb1 -8.50/22

[⌓30.Rf2 -4.50/20 Rxf2 31.Kxf2 Nxa3 32.Nb2]

30...Ne3



Threatens to win with ...Nf6-e4. **31.Bxc5 Ne4** White did not feel at home in the position after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.73/Black=0.24 (precise)

0-1

A28

□ **Riumin,Nikolay Nikolaevich**
■ **Ragozin,Viacheslav**
Moscow (10) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A28: English Opening: Four Knights Variation Quite convincing indeed! I was certainly impressed and ready to try the idea myself. And the occasion came in the Reg Gillman Memorial against Fide GM Colin Mac Nab **1.c4 e5 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.Nf3 Nc6 4.d4N**

[4.a3 g6 5.g3 Bg7 *(5...d5 6.cxd5 Nxd5 7.Bg2 Bg7 8.0-0 Nxc3 9.dxc3 0-0 10.Bg5 Qxd1 11.Rfxd1 h6 12.Be3 a5 13.Bc5 Re8 14.e4 a4 15.Bf1 Bg4 16.Kg2 Na5 17.Be3 c6 18.h3 Be6 19.Bb6 Nc4 20.Bxc4* ½-½ Locci,D-Romanishin,O Bratto op 2009 (1) *)* 6.Bg2 0-0 7.0-0 d5 8.cxd5 Nxd5 9.Nxe5 Nxc3 10.Nxc6 Nxe2+ 11.Qxe2 bxc6

A) 12.Bxc6 Rb8 13.d3 Bh3 *(13...Be6 14.Re1 Bd4 15.Rb1 Ba2 16.Ra1* ½-½ Mcnab,C-Geenen,M Reg Gillman Memorial A corr 1999 *)* 14.Re1 Rb6 15.Qc2 Be6 16.Be4 Qd7 17.Qc5 Bd4 18.Qa5 Rb5 19.Qa6 Rb6 20.Qa5 Rb5 21.Qa6 Rb6 22.Qa5 ½-½ Ruck,R (2550)-Romanishin,O (2561) 11th GM Lippstadt GER 2003 (3);

B) 12.d3 Rb8 13.Rb1 Bf5 14.Rd1 c5 15.Be3 Bd4 16.Be4 Be6 17.Rd2 Bb3 18.Rc1 Re8 0-1 Marchal,N-Kuzmin,A 17th European Individual Championship 2016]

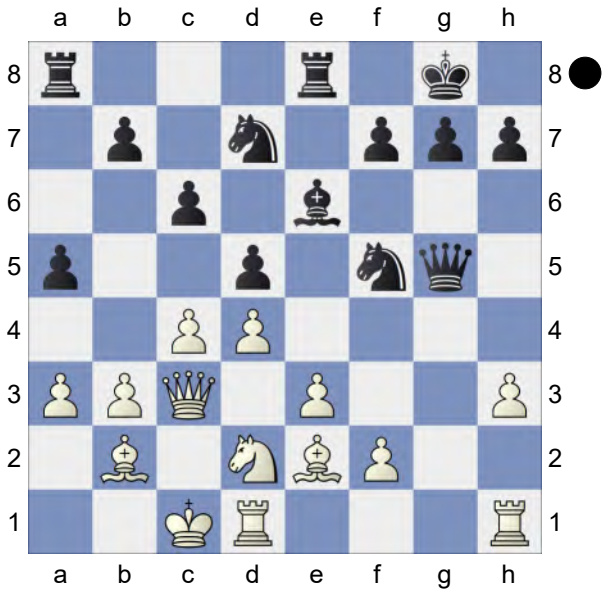
4...e4 5.Nd2 Bb4 6.e3 0-0 7.Qc2 Re8 8.a3 -0.39/22

[8.Nd5= 0.00/20 is more appropriate.]

8...Bxc3∓ 9.Qxc3 Black is slightly better. **9...d5 10.b3 Bf5 11.Bb2 Ne7 12.h3 c6 13.Be2 a5 14.g4 Be6 15.g5 Nd7 16.Nxe4! Nf5** Inhibits Ne4-d6.

[16...dxe4?! 17.d5 Nf5 18.dxe6 fxe6 19.0-0-0±]

17.Nd2 Qxg5 18.0-0-0



b5! 19.Rdg1

[19.cxb5? cxb5 20.Kb1 *(20.Bxb5? Rac8-+* Pin *)* 20...b4-+]

[19.Bd3 Qh4]

19...Qh6 20.c5 -0.80/19

[20.cxb5? cxb5 21.Kb1 *(21.Bxb5? Rec8-+* Pin *)* 21...Nd6-+]

[20.Bd3∓ -0.40/18]

20...Nf6 -0.01/20

[20...Nh4∓ -0.80/19]

21.Qc2 -0.83/22

[21.h4!= -0.01/20]

21...Nh4∓ 22.Bd3 Against Be6-f5

22...Re7 23.Kb1 Rae8 -0.26/20

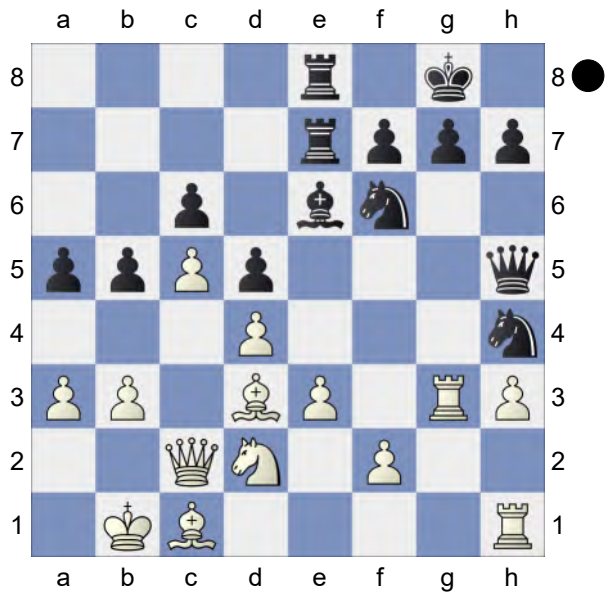
[23...Qh5∓ -1.00/20 24.Nf1 Nf3]

24.Bc1 -0.94/20

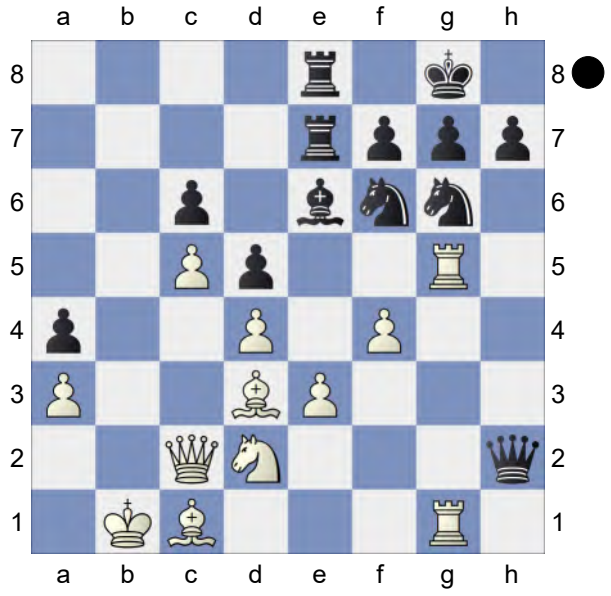
[24.a4= -0.26/20 keeps the balance.]

24...Qh5 25.Rg3 -1.19/19

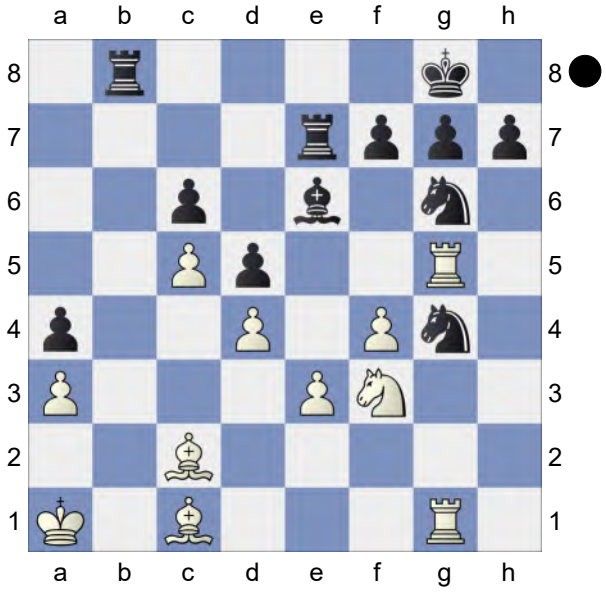
[⌓25.Nf1 -0.71/20]



25...a4 -0.40/21 **26.bxa4∓ bxa4 27.Rhg1 Ng6** 0.62/20
[27...g6= -0.17/18]
28.Rg5 -0.51/22
[28.Qxa4 Bf5 29.Qb3 Bxd3+ 30.Qxd3 Rb7+ 31.Ka1 Ne4 32.Nxe4 dxe4∓]
[28.Kb2± 0.62/20]
28...Qxh3 And now ...Be6-g4 would win.
29.R5g3 Qh5 30.Rg5 Qh2 31.f4 -2.26/24
[31.R5g2∓ -0.50/19 Qb8+ 32.Ka1]

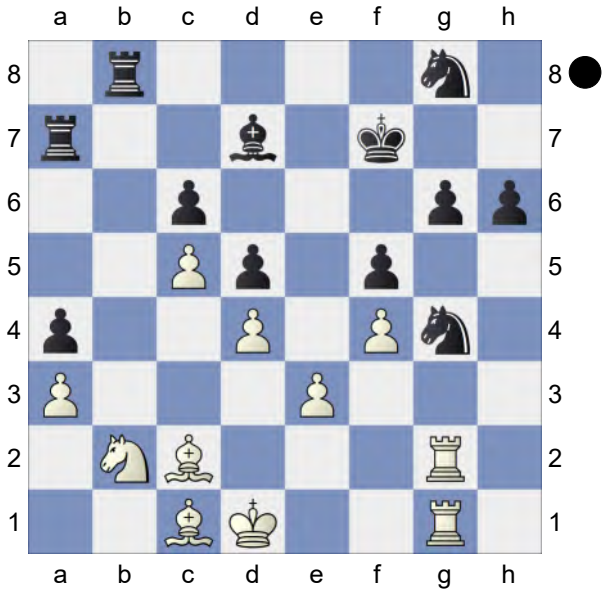


31...Ng4 -0.84/24 **32.Nf3∓ Rb8+**
[32...Qxc2+ simplifies 33.Bxc2 Rb8+ 34.Ka2 f5]
33.Ka1 -0.83/24
[33.Ka2∓ -0.43/22 Qxc2+ 34.Bxc2]
33...Qxc2 34.Bxc2



f5 35.Ne1 -1.21/19
[White should play 35.Re1∓ -0.58/20]
[35.Rh5 Bd7]
35...Bd7 36.Ng2 Nf2 -0.78/23 A dynamic duo of knights.
[⌓36...Nf8 -1.22/20 ...g7-g6 would now be deadly. 37.Rh5 g6]
37.Rh5 Ne4 Black is more active.
38.Ne1 Be6 -0.41/22
[38...Bc8∓ -0.81/20]
39.Nd3∓ Reb7 Dodges Nd3-b4 **40.Nb4 Ne7 41.Rh2 Nf6 42.Kb2** -0.90/22
[42.Bxa4? loses. Ra7 43.Rhg2 *(43.Nxc6?* is the wrong capture. *Nxc6 44.Bxc6 Ra6-+)* 43...g6-+ *(43...Rxa4? 44.Rxg7+ Kf8 45.Kb2-+* Remove Defender *)*]
[42.Bd2= -0.30/20]
42...Ra7∓ 43.Bd3 Kf7 -0.74/21
[⌓43...Ng4 -1.10/23 44.Rhg2 Bc8]
44.Kc2 h6 45.Kd1 Bd7 46.Bc2 Ng4 47.Rhg2 g6 48.Nd3 Ng8 49.Nb2?

-2.29/22
[White should try 49.Ne5+∓ -0.52/21
Nxe5 50.dxe5]



49...Rxb2!-+ Deflection. Black is clearly better. **50.Bxb2 Nxe3+ 51.Kd2 Nxg2 52.Rxg2 Nf6 53.Bc1 Be8 54.Rg1 Ne4+** Weighted Error Value: White=0.31/ Black=0.23 (precise)
0-1

C10

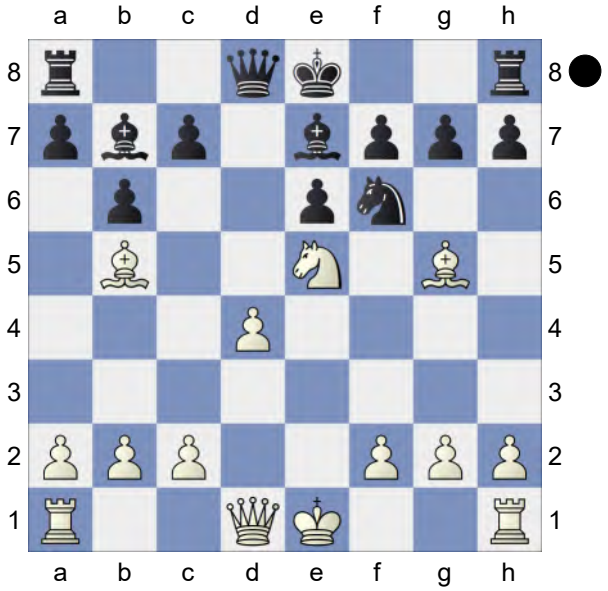
□ **Lilienthal,Andor**
■ **Spielmann,Rudolf**
Moscow (11) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

C10: French with 3 Nc3: Unusual Black 3rd moves and 3...dxe4 Zenón Franco: 'Zlotnik/Kmoch: 'Craig Pritchett: 'Rubinstein's fine form continued throughout 1911. He finished the year in shared 2nd with Schlechter, on 17/25, at Carlsbad, behind Richard Teichmann, who played the event of his life to win on 18 points. However, 1912 was truly stellar. Rubinstein won three events outright, at San Sebastian, Pistyan and at the Russian National Tournament in Vilnius, and shared 1st place with Ossip Duras at Breslau. --- Rubinstein's 1912 results confirmed his claim to be Lasker's rightful challenger. A credible argument might also be made for a challenge by Capablanca, but he did not play at all in Europe that year and had recently been somewhat inactive. Rubinstein's recent record and current form put him well ahead of any other possible European or New World contender. --- Rubinstein defeated Carl Schlechter, Lasker's most dangerous recent challenger, twice at San Sebastian. In 1910, Schlechter and Lasker had tied an extremely hard-fought world championship match, 5-5, with Lasker only scrambling a win and levelling the score in the final game. In 1912, Schlechter was no match for Rubinstein, who achieved the following outstanding endgame win against him in their first game at San Sebastian. --- Throughout his career, Rubinstein mainly defended against 1 e4 with 1...e5, answering the Spanish Opening with a range of sound closed lines and also the Open Defence. However, as against Schlechter, he also frequently played what later became known as the Rubinstein Variation of the French Defence. Rubinstein worked out many of Black's main counter-attacking ideas in this line, which is based on an early ...dxe4. Although conceding White a half centre, with an unopposed pawn on d4 and some extra central space, Rubinstein showed that Black could nevertheless hope to complete his development and strike back hard at d4 with an eventual ...c5. --- At San

Sebastian, Schlechter prematurely tried to dominate the queenside light squares in the early opening, allowing his opponent to drive White's pieces back and emerge with a very slight middlegame edge. Rubinstein manoeuvred well in the middlegame, achieving a series of small but tangible positional gains. The surprise win came in a cleverly played rook and pawn endgame.''' **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 dxe4 5.Nxe4 Nbd7 6.Nf3 Be7 7.Nxf6+ Nxf6 8.Bd3 b6**

[8...c5 9.dxc5 Qa5+ 10.c3 Qxc5 11.Qe2 0-0 12.0-0-0 Rd8 13.h4 Bd7 14.h5 h6 15.Be3 Qa5 16.Kb1 e5 17.Nd2 Be6 18.Bc4 Bxc4 19.Nxc4 Qb5 20.Rxd8+ Rxd8 21.Re1 b6 22.Bc1 e4 23.Nd2 ½-½ Roebers,E (2340)-Medic,M (2101) Olympiad Women-45 Budapest 2024 (5.13)]

9.Ne5 Bb7 10.Bb5+



c6! 11.Bc4N

[11.Nxc6? perishes. Qd5 12.c4 *(12.Nxa7+? too greedy. Kf8-+)* 12...Qxg5-+]

[11.Be2 Rc8]

[11.Bxc6+ Bxc6 12.Nxc6 Qd5 13.Ne5 Qxg2 14.Qf3 Qxf3 15.Nxf3 Rc8 16.0-0-0 Nd5 17.Bxe7 Kxe7 18.Kb1 Rhd8 19.Rhg1 g6 20.Ne5 Nb4 21.c3 Nc6 22.Nxc6+ Rxc6 23.Rd3 Rd5 24.Rh3 h5 25.Rf3 e5 0-1 Tal Brinck Claussen-6. ♗c4 ♘b6 7. ♗b3 d5 8.ed (ch) 75/83 Israel 1999 (2) 26.dxe5 Rxe5 27.Re3 Rxe3 28.fxe3 Re6 29.Re1 Rf6 30.Re2 Ke6 31.Kc2 Ke5 32.c4 Ke4 33.b4 g5 34.Kc3 g4 35.c5 h4 36.Rg2 Rg6 37.Kc4 g3 38.hxg3 hxg3 39.Kb5 bxc5 40.bxc5 Kf3 0-1 Schlechter,C-Rubinstein,A San Sebastian International Masters-02 1912 (2)]

[11.Qf3 Qd5 12.Bxf6 cxb5 13.Bxg7 Qxf3 14.gxf3 Rg8 15.Bh6 f6 16.Nd3 Bxf3 17.Rf1 Rg4 18.Bf4 Rd8 19.c3 e5 20.Be3 e4 21.Nb4 Bd6 22.h3 Rh4 23.Rg1 Kf7 24.Kd2 Rxh3 25.a4 f5 ½-½ Spielmann,R-Rubinstein,A San Seabatian 14 1911 (14)]

11...Nd7 12.Bf4 Nxe5 13.Bxe5 Bf6 14.Qe2 Bxe5 15.Qxe5 Qf6 16.0-0-0 Qxe5 17.dxe5 Rd8 18.Rxd8+ Kxd8= Endgame. KRB-KRB **19.f4 Ke7 20.Rd1 c5 21.Bb5 Rd8** Wards off Rd1-d7+ **22.Rxd8 Kxd8** KB-KB **23.g3 Ke7 24.Kd2 f6 25.Bd3 h6 26.Ke3 Bd5 27.a3 Bc6 28.Bc4 Bg2** The position is equal. **29.Bd3 Bd5 30.Ba6 Bg2 31.Bc4** An uneventful encounter. Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) /Black=0.07 (flawless)

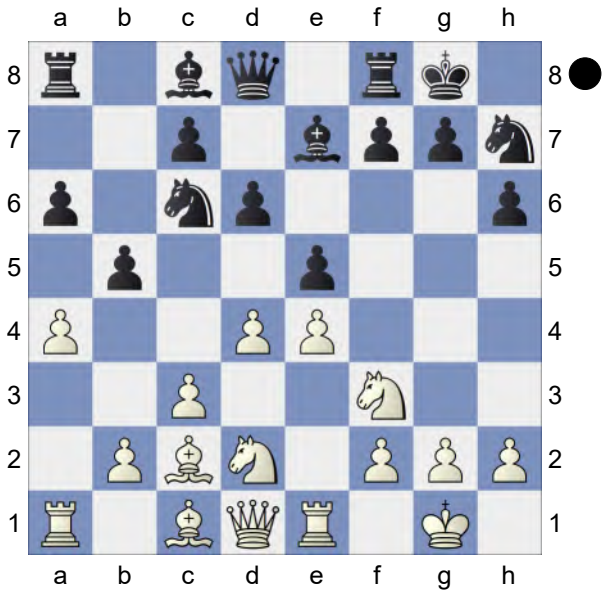
½-½

C74

□ **Lasker,Emanuel**
■ **Romanovsky,Peter Arsenievich**
Moscow (11) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

C87: Closed Ruy Lopez: Steinitz-type lines after 6 Re1 d6 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 d6 5.c3 b5 6.Bc2 Nf6 7.d4 Be7 8.0-0 0-0**
[8...exd4 9.Nxd4 Ne5 10.f4 Ng6 11.c4 c5 12.Nf5 0-0 13.b3 Re8 14.Nc3 bxc4 15.bxc4 Rb8 16.Rb1 Rb4 17.Ne3 Rxb1 18.Bxb1 Qb6 19.Bc2 Bf8 20.Ned5 Nxd5 21.Nxd5 Qd8 22.Qd3 Be7 23.Be3 ½-½ Busemann,S (2545)-Hector,J (2500) SSKK Bulletinen 40 years corr 1993]
9.Re1N
[9.Be3 Bg4 10.Nbd2 d5 11.h3 Bh5 12.g4 Bg6 13.Nxe5 Nxe5 14.dxe5 Nxe4 15.Nxe4 Bxe4 16.f4 Bxc2 17.Qxc2 c5 18.f5 d4 19.Rad1 Rc8 20.Qe4 Qb6 21.cxd4 cxd4 22.Bxd4 Bc5 23.b4 Bxd4+ 0-1 Indjic,A (2631)-Tanenbaum,Z (2157) Titled Tuesday intern op 22nd Nov Early Chess.com INT blitz 2022 (10)]
[9.h3 exd4 10.Nxd4 Nxd4 11.cxd4 c5 12.Re1 Bb7 13.d5 Nd7 14.Nd2 Re8 15.Nf3 Bf6 16.Rb1 Ne5 17.Bf4 Nxf3+ 18.Qxf3 Bd4 19.Qg3 Be5 20.Bxe5 dxe5 21.b3 Qd6 22.Bd3 Bc8 23.Rbc1 Bd7 1-0 Paravyan,D (2601)-Tanenbaum,Z (2261) Titled Tuesday intern op 09th May Late Chess.com INT blitz 2023 (3)]
9...h6 10.Nbd2 Nh7 0.95/18
[10...Re8± 0.58/18 is superior.]
11.a4

(Diagram)

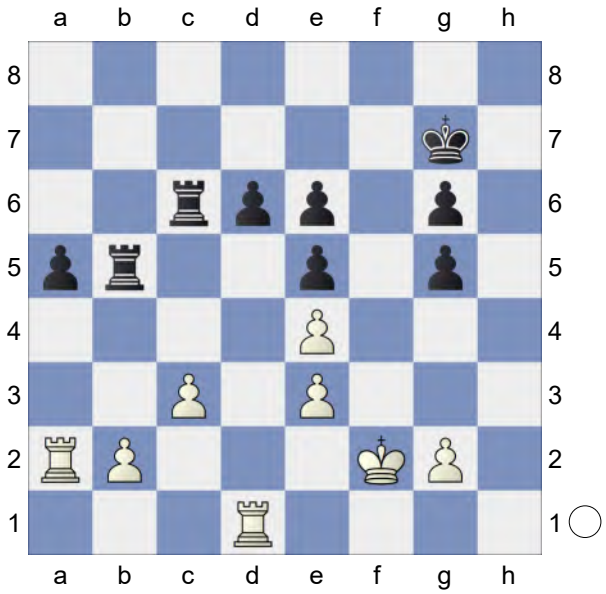


a4xb5 would now be deadly. **11...Bg4** White is better. **12.d5 Na7 13.Bd3 Ng5 14.Qc2** 0.45/22
[14.axb5± 1.11/21 axb5 15.h3]
14...Qc8 1.23/21
[14...Bxf3± 0.45/22 15.Nxf3 Nxf3+ 16.gxf3 Bg5]
15.Nxg5± hxg5 1.60/20
[⌓15...Bxg5 1.18/22 16.c4 c6]
16.Nf1 1.19/19
[⌓16.axb5 1.60/20 axb5 17.b4]
16...Bd7 17.axb5 Nxb5 18.Be3 c5 19.dxc6 0.90/20
[⌓19.Nd2 1.46/19]
19...Bxc6 1.31/20
[⌓19...Qxc6 0.90/20 20.h3 Rfb8]
20.Qd2 Qd8 21.Red1 g6 1.35/18
[⌓21...a5 0.96/20]
22.Ng3 0.81/20
[⌓22.Qe2 1.35/18]
22...Bb7 1.25/19
[⌓22...a5 0.81/20]
23.Bc4 Nc7 24.Bb6 0.71/22 White is much more active.
[⌓24.b4 1.40/18]
24...Qd7 25.Bxc7 Qxc7 26.Bd5 0.29/22
[26.Qd3± 0.82/22]

26...Rfb8 0.79/20
[26...Bxd5= 0.29/22 remains equal. 27.Qxd5 Rab8]
27.Nf1 Ra7 1.20/22
[27...g4± 0.70/20]
28.Ne3 Bc8 29.h3 Kg7 30.Qc2 1.01/21
[⌓30.Ra3 1.50/21]
30...Bd7 31.Ra2 Rh8 32.Qe2 Qc8 33.Bc4 0.88/20
[⌓33.Rda1 1.27/20]
33...a5 34.Nd5? -0.57/21
[White should try 34.Qf3± 1.01/21 f6 35.b4]
34...Bxh3∓ 35.Nxe7? -2.17/21
[35.gxh3? Qxh3 36.f3 Qh1+ 37.Kf2 Rh2+ 38.Ke3 *(38.Kg3?* leads to mate. *Rg2+ 39.Qxg2 Qh4#)* 38...Rxe2+-+]
[35.Nb6∓ -0.54/20 Qb8 36.Qe3]
35...Rxe7-+ 36.Ba6
[36.gxh3? too greedy. Qxh3 37.f3 Qh1+ 38.Kf2 Rh2+ 39.Ke3 Rxe2+-+]
36...Bg4 37.Qd3 Qc5 -0.75/23
[37...Qd8-+ -2.71/20 38.Rda1 Rh4]
38.Rda1∓ Ree8 39.Qe3 Qxe3 40.fxe3 Rb8 ...Bg4-e6 is the strong threat.
41.Bc4 Rhc8 -0.47/23
[41...Rhe8∓ -0.94/21]
42.Bd5∓ Be6 43.Bxe6 fxe6 Endgame. KRR-KRR **44.Rd1 Rc6** -0.01/23
[Better is 44...Rb6∓ -0.66/22 45.Rxa5 Rc4]
45.Kf2= The position is equal. **45...Rb5**

(Diagram)

46.b4! axb4 47.Ra7+ Kg8! 48.Ra8+ Kg7 49.Ra7+ Kg8! Whites escaped into a draw. Weighted Error Value: White=0.25 (precise) /Black=0.27 (precise)
½-½



E14

□ **Flohr,Salo**
■ **Rabinovich,Ilya Leontievich**
Moscow (11) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

E14: Queen's Indian: Classical Variation (4 e3) **1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 e6 3.c4 Bb4+ 4.Nbd2 b6 5.e3 Bb7 6.Bd3 Ne4 7.0-0 f5 8.Qc2 Bxd2N** 0.96/21
[8...Nxd2± 0.60/20 feels stronger. 9.Nxd2 *(9.Bxd2 Bxf3 10.gxf3 Qg5+ 11.Kh1 Qh5=)*
A) 9...0-0 10.f3 *(10.e4 Nc6 11.Nf3 fxe4 12.Bxe4 Rxf3 13.gxf3 Qh4 14.Qd3 Bd6 15.f4 Nb4 16.Qf3 Bxe4 17.Qxe4 Rf8 18.f3 Nc6 19.d5 Nd4 20.Rf2 Bxf4 21.Bxf4 Rxf4 22.Qe3 e5 23.Raf1 d6 24.b3 a5* 0-1 Saarenpaa,V (2477)-Arnold,M (2503) 64/(33) Altensteig 1995 (1)*)* 10...Nc6 11.a3 Be7 12.b4 Bf6 13.Bb2 d6 14.Rae1 g6 15.b5 Ne7 16.e4

Bg7 17.Nb3 c5 18.dxc5 Bxb2 19.Qxb2 dxc5 20.Rd1 Qc7 21.Rfe1 Rad8 22.exf5 exf5 23.Bf1 Rxd1 24.Rxd1 ½-½ Friedl,S-Kalcher,M Saint Petersburg 89/(69) 2003 (7);

B) 9...Qh4 10.e4 Bxd2 11.g3 Qh5 12.Bxd2 Nc6 13.Bc3 f4 14.f3 Qg5 15.Qd2 e5 16.d5 Ne7 17.b4 h5 18.c5 d6 19.Bb5+ Kf7 20.Kh1 Ng6 21.Rg1 Qf6 22.Qg2 Bc8 23.Bd2 bxc5 24.bxc5 1-0 8.Be3 Bb4 9.Na4 Be7 10.c4 (2523)-Protsiv,S (2486) W-ch M422 corr ICCF corr 1988;

C) 9...Bd6]

9.Nxd2± Qh4 10.Nf3 Qe7 White is better. **11.Qe2** 0.37/21

[11.a3± 0.93/20]

11...0-0± 12.Nd2 d6 13.b3 Nd7 14.Bb2 Rae8 15.Rae1 e5 16.f4 exd4 17.exd4 Qf7 18.Qd1 Qg6 0.66/19

[Black should play 18...Nxd2!= 0.07/18 19.Qxd2 c6]

19.d5 c6 1.47/21

[19...Bc8± 0.68/18]

20.dxc6 0.81/22

[⌓20.Nxe4 1.47/21 fxe4 21.Re3]

20...Bxc6± 21.Nxe4 fxe4 1.29/19

[⌓21...Bxe4 0.93/20 22.Bxe4 fxe4]

22.Bc2 Nc5 1.82/21

[22...Qh6± 1.06/18]

23.Re3+- Re3-g3 is the strong threat.

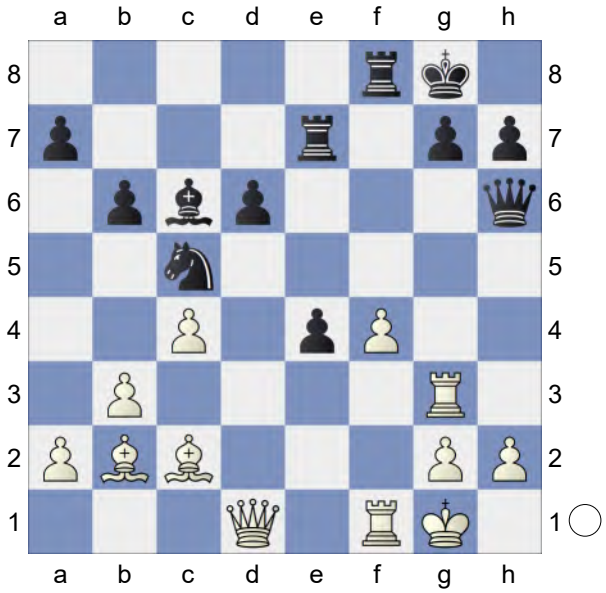
[23.f5?! Rxf5 24.Rxf5 Qxf5±]

23...Re7

[Wrong is 23...Nd3? 24.Bxg7 Rxf4 *(24...Kxg7?* perishes. *25.Rg3+-* Pin *)* 25.Rg3 *(25.Bxd3 exd3 26.Rg3 Rxf1+ 27.Qxf1 d2±)* 25...Rxf1+ 26.Qxf1 Kxg7 27.Rxg6+ *(27.Bxd3 exd3 28.Rxg6+ hxg6+-)* 27...hxg6 28.Bxd3 exd3 29.Qxd3 Re1+ 30.Kf2+-]

24.Rg3 Qh6 3.17/21

[24...Qe6 1.61/21 is a better defense. 25.Bc3 Nd7]



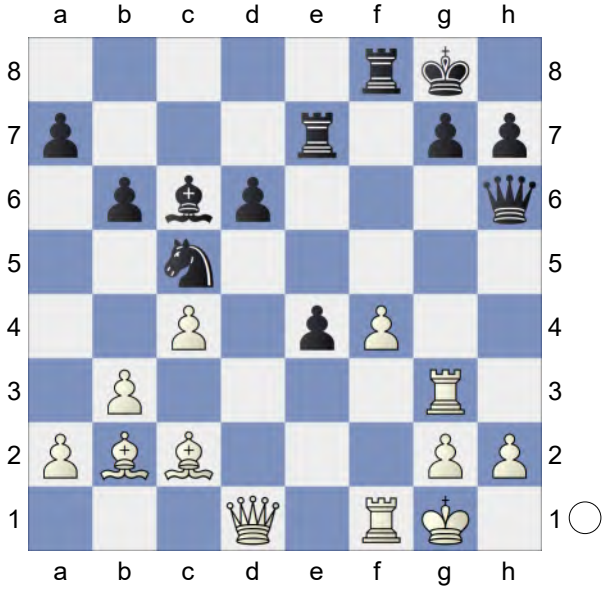
25.Rh3? 1.13/20

[25.f5!+- 3.17/21 Ref7 26.b4]

25...Qg6 26.Rg3 -0.01/19

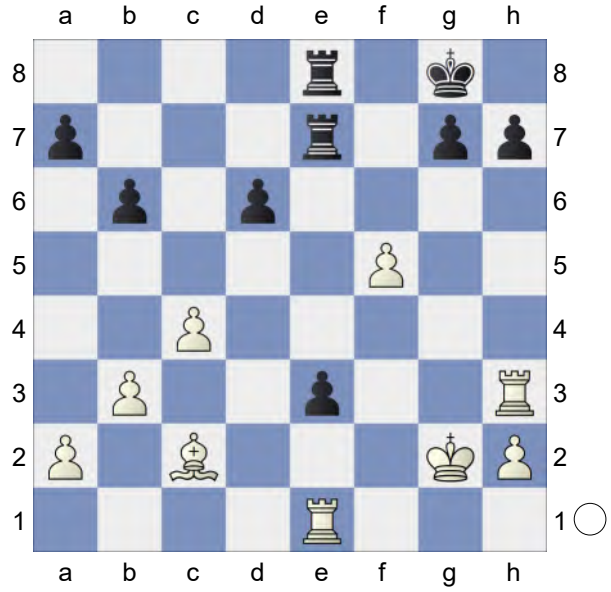
[26.Bc3± 1.33/19]

26...Qh6=



27.f5! f5-f6 would now be deadly. **27...e3** aiming for ...e3-e2. **28.Qe2** Black must now prevent f5-f6. **28...Nd7 29.Rh3 Qg5 30.Rh5** Trapped Piece **30...Qxg2+**

31.Qxg2 Bxg2 32.Kxg2 4.88/18
[32.f6± 1.02/21 Nxf6 *(32...e2? 33.Bxh7+ Kf7 34.Re1+-)* 33.Bxf6]
32...Nf6 White is clearly winning.
33.Bxf6 Rxf6 34.Rh3 Rf8 35.Re1 Rfe8

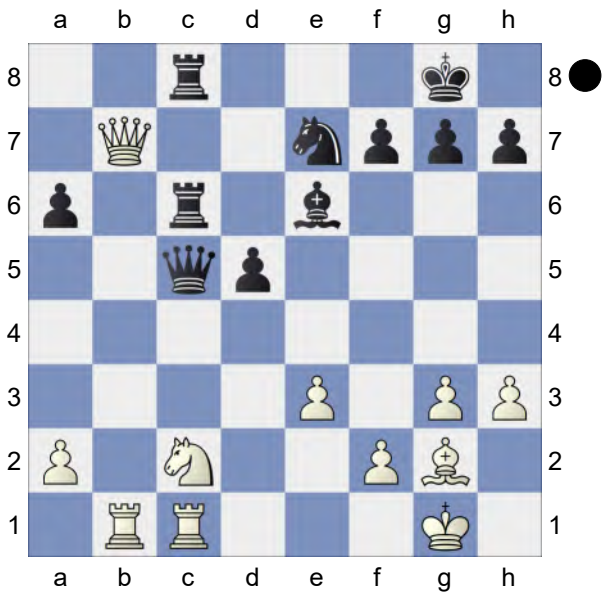


36.Rxh7!! Decoy **36...b5**
[36...Re5 37.Rh3]
37.f6 gxf6 38.Rxe7 Rxe7 39.Kf3 bxc4 40.bxc4 Weighted Error Value: White=0.22 (precise) /Black=0.37
1-0

D33

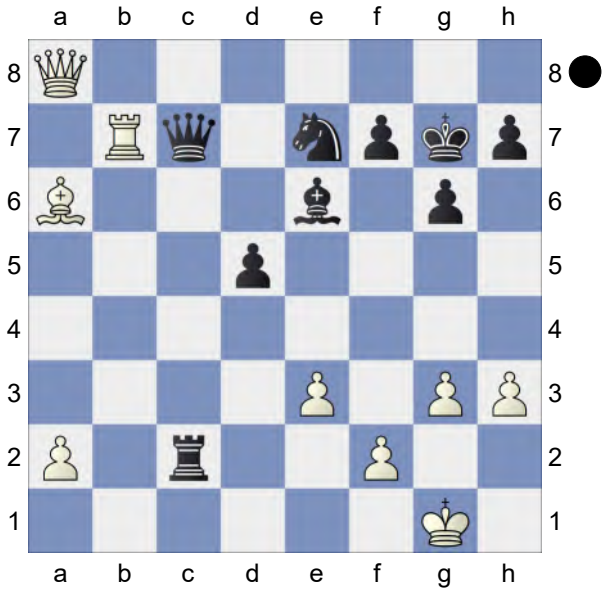
□ **Goglidze,Victor Arsentievich**
■ **Stahlberg,Gideon**
Moscow (11) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D33: Tarrasch Defence: 6 g3 sidelines
1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 c5 4.cxd5 exd5 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.g3 c4 7.Bg2 Bb4 8.0-0 Nge7 9.Bd2 0-0 10.b3 cxb3
[10...Qa5 11.Qe1 Qa6 12.Na4 Ba3 13.e4 Bg4 14.Bc3 Rfe8 15.exd5 Nxd5 16.Ne5 Nxc3 17.Qxc3 Nxe5 18.dxe5 Rac8 19.Bd5 b5 20.Rfb1 Red8 21.Be4 cxb3 0-1 Comas,F (2510)-Margarido,J (2590) 61/(168) Berlin 1994]
11.Qxb3
[11.a3 is more complex. b2 12.Ra2 b1B 13.Qxb1 Bf5 14.Qb2]
11...Ba5 12.e3 Bc7N
[12...Bf5 13.Rfc1 Qd7 14.Be1 Rac8 15.Nh4 Be6 16.Rab1 b6 17.Bf1 g5 D 33/03 2003]
13.Nb5 Bb8 White is slightly better.
14.Rfc1 a6 15.Na3 0.21/17
[15.Nc3± 0.62/17]
15...Bd6= 16.Nc2 Na5 17.Bxa5 Qxa5 18.Ne5 Be6 19.Nd3
[19.Qxb7? Rab8 20.Qa7 Nc8-+]
19...Rac8 Prevents Nd3-c5 **20.Nc5**
[20.Qxb7? Rb8-+]
20...Bxc5 21.dxc5 Qxc5 22.Qxb7 Rc6 0.41/18
[22...Rc7= -0.02/16 should be considered. 23.Qxa6 Rc6]
23.Rab1 Rfc8 ...Qc5-d6 is the strong threat. **24.h3?** -3.17/19
[24.Bf1!= -0.30/17 and White has nothing to worry. Qd6 25.Qb2]



Loses the game. **24...Qd6!-+ 25.Bf1?**

-4.26/17
[25.Qb3 -2.64/15]
25...Rxc2 26.Rxc2 Rxc2 27.Bxa6 g6 Black is clearly winning.
[And not 27...Rxa2 28.Qb8+ Qxb8 29.Rxb8+=]
[Don't take 27...Bxh3 28.Qb3 Bf5 29.Qb8+ Nc8 30.Qxd6 Nxd6 31.Rb8+ Bc8 32.Rb6]
28.Rb6 Qc7 29.Qa8+ -6.53/18
[⌓29.Qxc7 -4.22/17 Rxc7 30.Bd3]
29...Kg7 30.Rb7



Qa5 31.Rb1 Prevents Qa5-e1+.
31...Qd2 Weighted Error Value: White=0.92/Black=0.10 (very precise)
0-1

D30

□ **Kan,Ilia Abramovich**
■ **Levenfish,Grigory**
Moscow (11) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D30: Queen's Gambit Declined: Systems without Nc3 **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.e3 e6 5.Nbd2**
[5.Bd3 Nbd7 6.b3 Bd6 7.Bb2 0-0 8.0-0 b6 9.Ne5 Bb7 10.Nd2 c5 *(10...Qc7 11.f4 c5 12.Rc1 Rad8 13.Qe2 Ne4 14.cxd5 exd5 15.Nxe4 dxe4 16.Bc4 Nf6 17.dxc5 bxc5 18.Ng4 Nd5 19.Bxd5 Bxd5 20.Nf6+ Kh8 21.Qh5 h6 22.Nxd5 Qd7 23.Qxh6+* 1-0 8 Rb1 10...Qa5+ (2099)-7.00 ♘a6 8.d5 (1899) 1st FIDE GP 2012 London ENG (5)*)* 11.cxd5 exd5 12.f4 cxd4 13.exd4 Ne4 14.Nxe4 dxe4 15.Bc4 b5 16.Bxb5 Nxe5 17.fxe5 Bxe5 18.dxe5 Qb6+ 19.Kh1 Qxb5 Skalusevic,L (2658)-Dallmann,V (2585) Wuerzburg op 14th Würzburg 1998]
5...c5 6.b3 Nc6 7.Bb2 Bd6N 0.68/19
[7...cxd4= 0.24/19 8.Nxd4 *(8.exd4 Be7 9.Bd3 0-0 10.0-0 b6 11.Rc1 Bb7 12.Qe2 Rc8 13.Rfd1 Re8 14.Ne5 dxc4 15.Ndxc4 Nb4 16.Bb1 Nbd5 17.Qf3 Bf8 18.Bxh7+ Kxh7 19.Nxf7 Qc7 20.Nce5 Kg8 21.Rxc7 Rxc7 22.Ng5 Nc3* ½-½ Kempinski,R-Korobov,A EU-ch rapid Warsaw 2010 (6) *)* 8...Nxd4 9.Bxd4 Be7]
8.Rc1 0.17/21
[8.dxc5± 0.68/19 Bxc5 9.cxd5 exd5 10.Rc1]
8...cxd4= 9.exd4 Qe7 10.Ne5 Ba3 11.Bxa3 Qxa3 12.cxd5 -0.75/22
[12.Nxc6= 0.11/20 bxc6 13.Rc2]
12...exd5 0.41/21
[12...Nxd4∓ -0.75/22 13.Nec4 Qc5 *(13...Qxa2? 14.Bd3+-)*]
13.Nxc6 0.01/23
[13.Bb5± 0.41/21]
13...bxc6 14.Bd3 Bg4 15.Qc2 Qe7+ 16.Kf1! 0-0 17.h3 Bd7 18.g3 0.03/21
[18.Nf3± 0.45/21 was preferrable.]
18...Rae8! 19.Kg2 g6 0.65/21
[19...Ne4= 0.20/22]
20.Nf3↑ White has the initiative. **20...Rc8** 0.99/20

[20...Ne4± 0.54/20 might be stronger.]

21.Qc5 Rfe8 22.Ne5

[22.Qxa7? Bxh3+ 23.Rxh3 Qxa7-+]

[22.Qxe7 simplifies Rxe7 23.Ne5 Kg7 24.Rc5]

22...Qd8 23.Rhe1 Re6 24.f4 0.75/19

[24.Qxa7 Ra8 25.Qc5 Rxa2±]

[Better is 24.Rc2 1.15/17]

24...Qb6 1.66/17

[24...Ne4± 0.75/19 25.Bxe4 *(25.Qxa7 Be8±)* 25...dxe4]

25.Qc3 1.16/18

[25.g4+- 1.66/17]

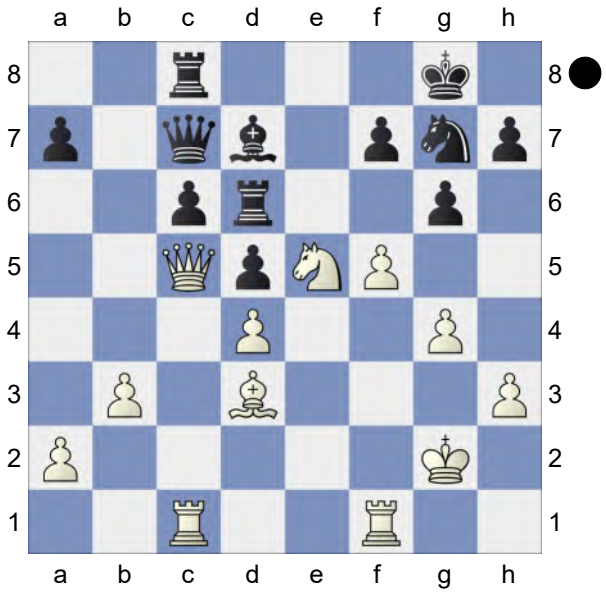
25...Rd6± 26.g4 Prevents Bd7-f5.

26...Ne8 1.63/20

[26...Qb7± 1.24/18 was called for.]

27.Qc5 Qc7 28.f5 White is much more active. **28...Ng7 29.Rf1**

[Resist 29.Ba6?! Re8±]



f5xg6 would now be deadly. **29...Be8** 2.18/19

[29...gxf5± 1.24/21 30.gxf5 f6]

30.Rc2 f6 2.88/22

[30...gxf5± 1.47/19 31.gxf5 *(31.Bxf5 Ra8=)* 31...f6]

31.Nf3? 0.01/21

[31.fxg6+- 2.88/22 hxg6 32.Nxg6]

31...gxf5= 32.Bxf5 -0.56/22

[32.Nh4= 0.18/22]

32...Bd7 0.65/21

[32...Nxf5∓ -0.56/22 33.gxf5 Rd7]

33.Nh4 0.23/21

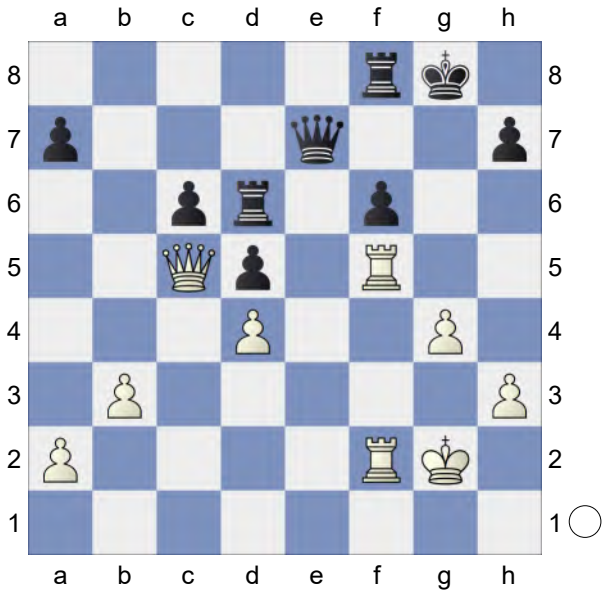
[33.Bxd7!± 0.65/21 Qxd7 34.Rcf2]

33...Bxf5 34.Nxf5

[Reject 34.gxf5 Rd7 35.Kg1 Qg3+ 36.Ng2 Qxh3∓]

34...Nxf5 35.Rxf5 Qe7 36.Rcf2 With the idea Rf5xf6! **36...Rf8** 0.66/20

[36...Re8= 0.26/21]



37.g5 0.21/22 **h6 38.gxf6** 0.01/23

[38.gxh6± 0.40/21 Kh7 39.R5f3]

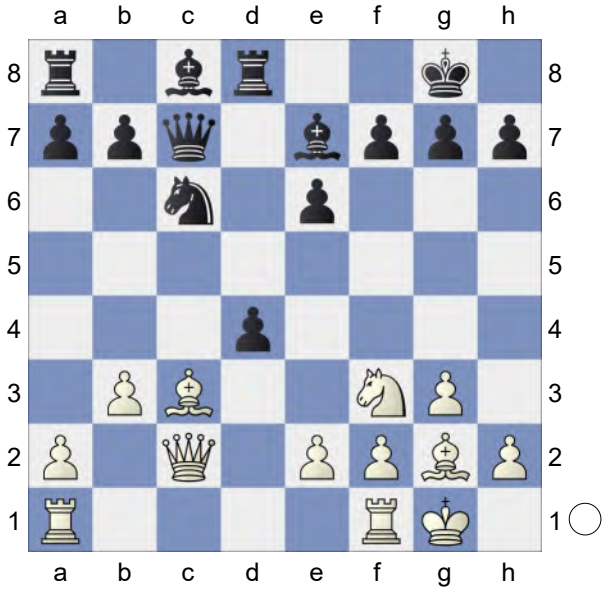
38...Rfxf6 Remove Defender **39.Rxf6** Black defended with fortune. Weighted Error Value: White=0.41/Black=0.34

½-½

A14

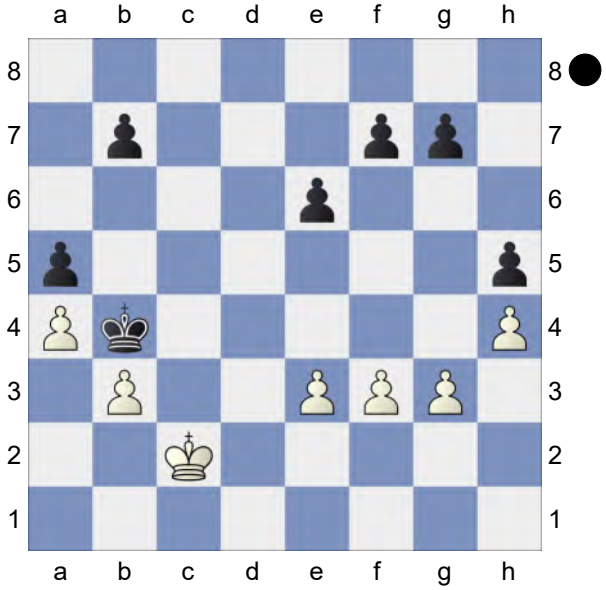
□ **Lisitsin,Georgy**
■ **Alatortsev,Vladimir**
Moscow (11) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A14: English Opening: 1...e6 with b3 by White Makarov,M: 'Inf 54/(10)' **1.Nf3 d5 2.c4 e6 3.b3 Nf6 4.Bb2 Be7 5.g3 0-0 6.Bg2 c5 7.0-0 Nc6 8.cxd5 Nxd5 9.Nc3 Nxc3**
[9...Bf6 10.Qc2 *(10.Rc1 b6 11.a3 Bb7 12.Qc2 Nxc3 13.Bxc3 Bxc3 14.Qxc3 Rc8 15.Rfd1 Qe7 16.e3 Rfd8 17.d3 Rd7 18.Ne5 Nxe5 19.Bxb7 Rxb7 20.Qxe5 Rd8 21.Qc3 Rbd7 22.b4 cxb4 23.axb4 h6 24.Rd2 Rd5* 0-1 Estrada Nieto,J (2248)-Matveeva,O (2111) Titled Tuesday intern op 17th Jan Early Chess.com INT blitz 2023 (11)*)* 10...b6 11.Nxd5 exd5 12.d4 Nxd4 13.Nxd4 cxd4 14.Qd2 Re8 15.Bxd4 Bxd4 16.Qxd4 Rxe2 17.Qxd5 Qxd5 18.Bxd5 Rb8 19.Rfe1 Rxe1+ 20.Rxe1 Kf8 21.Rc1 Bb7 22.Bxb7 Rxb7 23.Rc8+ Ke7 24.Kf1 1-0 Chigaev,M (2643)-Karjakin,S (2757) Moscow Smyslov Region Group Cup blitz 2021 (2)]
10.Bxc3 Qc7 11.d4N -0.57/21
[Better is 11.Qb1= -0.01/19]
[11.Qc2 Rd8 12.e3 *(12.Qb2 Bf8 13.Rac1 Qb6 14.Rfd1 Bd7 15.d4 cxd4 16.Nxd4 Rac8 17.a4 Be8 18.Nxc6 Bxc6 19.Bd4 Qa6 20.Bxc6 Rxc6 21.Rxc6 Qxc6 22.Rc1 Qa6 23.Be3 Qa5 24.Qc2 h6 25.Qe4 Qa6 26.Qc4 Qa5* 0-1 Lisitsin,G-Bohatirchuk,F Moscow IT 2nd 1935 (18) *)* 12...b6 13.b4 cxb4 14.Be5 Bd6 15.Bxd6 Rxd6 Makarov,M (2480)-Schiffer,K (2280) 54/(10) Budapest 1992]
11...Rd8 0.26/19
[11...cxd4!∓ -0.57/21 12.Nxd4 Rd8 13.Nxc6 Rxd1 14.Nxe7+ Qxe7 15.Rfxd1 e5]
12.Qc2= White wants to play d4xc5.
12...cxd4



White has an edge. **13.Bxd4** Pin
13...Bd7 14.Rac1 Qa5 15.Bc3 Qa6 16.a4 Rac8
[16...Be8 with more complications. 17.Rfd1 h6 18.Ne5 Ba3]
17.Qb2 Bf8 18.Rfd1 Be8 19.Nd4 Nb4 20.Bf1 Qb6 21.e3 a6 22.Qb1 -0.46/20
[22.Bc4= 0.01/18]
22...Nd5 0.00/19
[22...e5∓ -0.46/20 is superior. 23.Bxb4 Rxc1 *(23...exd4 24.Rxc8 Rxc8 25.Qf5=)* 24.Rxc1 Bxb4 *(24...Qxb4 25.Nf3=)*]
23.Be1 Bb4 24.Bc4 -0.38/19
[24.Bxb4= 0.01/19 Rxc1 25.Rxc1 Qxb4 26.Bg2]
24...Bxe1∓ 25.Rxe1 Rc7 26.Bxd5 -0.53/22
[26.Qa1= -0.07/20]
26...Rxd5 27.Rxc7 Qxc7 28.Rc1 Rc5 -0.01/23

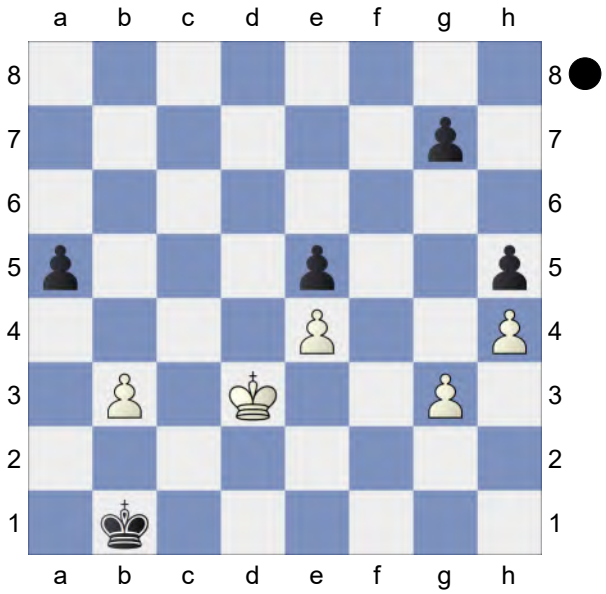
[28...Qd8∓ -0.88/20]
29.Rxc5= Qxc5 30.Qc2 Qxc2 31.Nxc2 Endgame. KB-KN **31...Kf8 32.Kf1 Bc6 33.Nb4 Be4 34.Ke2 Ke7 35.f3 Bb1 36.Kd2 Kd6 37.Nd3 Bxd3 38.Kxd3** KP-KP **38...Kc5** Threatening ... Kc5-b4. **39.Kc3 a5 40.h4** -0.49/21
[40.h3= -0.01/22 deserves consideration.]
40...h5!∓ 41.Kd3 Kb4 42.Kc2



b5 -0.01/21
[42...f5!∓ -0.72/24]
43.axb5= Kxb5 44.Kc3 Kc5 45.Kd3 Kb4 46.Kc2 Ka3
[46...f5!?]
47.Kc3 Ka2 48.Kc2? -10.22/26
[48.e4= 0.00/26 Kb1 49.Kc4]
48...f5-+ 49.Kc3 Kb1 50.e4 fxe4 51.fxe4 e5 52.Kd3

(Diagram)

Kb2! 53.Kc4 Kc2 54.Kd5 Kxb3 55.Kxe5 a4 56.Kf5 a3 (→ ...a3-a2) **57.Kg6 a2** Black mates. **58.Kxg7 a1Q+**
[Weaker is 58...a1B+ 59.Kg6 Kc4 60.Kxh5=]
59.Kg6 Qe5 Weighted Error Value:



White=0.60/Black=0.14 (very precise)
0-1

E68

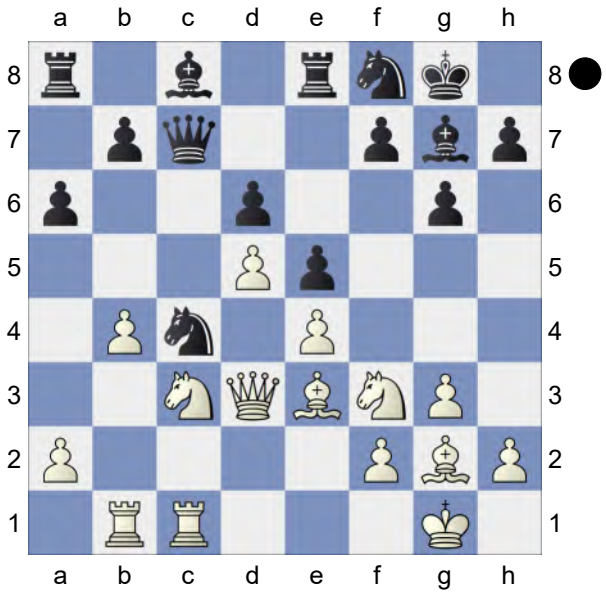
□ **Pirc,Vasja**
■ **Riumin,Nikolay Nikolaevich**
Moscow (11) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

E68: King's Indian: Fianchetto: 6...Nbd7 7 0-0 e5 8 e4 **1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.g3 Bg7 4.Bg2 0-0 5.0-0 d6 6.c4N**
[6.Nbd2 Nbd7 7.e4 e5 8.dxe5 dxe5 9.Qe2 c6 10.Rd1 Qc7 11.Nc4 Nc5 12.Ncxe5 Nfxe4 13.Bf4 Qe7 14.Nc4 Qe6 15.Nd4 Nxg3 16.Qxe6 Nxe6 17.Nxe6 Ne2+ 18.Kf1 Bxe6 19.Kxe2 Bxc4+ 20.Kf3 g5 1-0 Istrate,B (1899)-Gordon,S (1504) Buenos Aires Grafica Yael Torre Blanca 2023 (1) 21.Bxg5 Bd5+ 22.Kg3 Bxb2 23.Rab1 Be5+ 24.f4 Bxg2 25.fxe5 Bd5 26.Bf6 h6 27.Rxb7 Kh7 28.Kf4 Rg8 29.h4 Rg2 30.h5 Bxa2 31.Rdd7 Kg8 32.Rxa7 Rxa7 33.Rxa7 Rf2+ 34.Ke3 Rxf6 35.exf6 Bd5 1-0 Holland,D (1899)-Rafiei

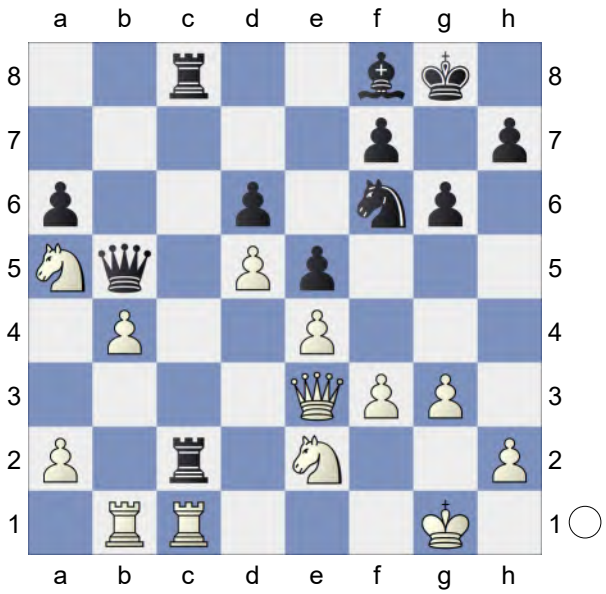
Darani,D (1504) Perth op 2023 (1)]
[6.Re1 c5 7.d5 b5 8.e4 Bb7 9.c4 bxc4 10.Nfd2 Nfd7 11.Nxc4 Ne5 12.Nba3 Nbd7 13.Ne3 Ba6 14.Bf1 Qa5 15.Kg2 Rab8 16.Be2 Nd3 17.Bxd3 Bxd3 18.Nec4 Bxc4 19.Nxc4 Qa6 20.Qc2 Rb4 ½-½ O'Neill Mcaleenan,C (2485)-Levano Loayza,A (2575) London 1834 (2)]
[6.a4 a5 7.Nbd2 Nc6 8.c3 e5 9.dxe5 dxe5 10.e4 b6 11.Re1 Ba6 12.Bf1 Bxf1 13.Rxf1 Qd3 14.Ne1 Qa6 15.Qf3 Rad8 16.Nb1 Qc4 17.Nd2 Rxd2 18.Bxd2 Nxe4 19.Bc1 f5 20.Qd3 Qxd3 ½-½ Karner,H-Tal,M It Tallinn (Estonia) 1981]
6...Nbd7 7.Nc3 e5 8.b3 Re8 9.e4 c6 10.Qd2 -0.01/20
[10.h3± 0.45/19]
10...Qa5 0.40/19
[10...exd4= -0.01/20 11.Nxd4 d5 12.exd5 *(12.cxd5 Nc5=)* 12...cxd5]
11.Rb1± a6 12.Rd1 White is slightly better. **12...Nf8** 0.80/19
[12...b5± 0.33/20]
13.b4 Qc7 14.d5 cxd5 15.cxd5
[15.Nxd5 Nxd5 16.cxd5 Bd7=]
15...N6d7 0.87/22
[15...Bd7= 0.25/21 keeps the balance.]
16.Qd3 Nb6 17.Be3 Nc4 18.Rdc1

(Diagram)

Hoping for Nc3-d1. **18...Nxe3** 0.84/24
[18...b5± 0.39/23]
19.Qxe3± aiming for Nc3-b5! **19...Qd8 20.Nd2 Nd7 21.Nc4 Bf8 22.Bh3 Nf6 23.Bxc8** 0.40/24
[White should play 23.Bf1± 0.77/22]
23...Rxc8± 24.Na5 -0.14/22
[24.Nd1± 0.42/21]



24...Re7= 25.f3 Rec7 Strongly threatening ...Bf8-h6! **26.Ne2 Rc2 27.Nxb7 Qd7 28.Na5** Na5-c6 is the strong threat. **28...Qb5**



Threatens to win with ...Bf8-h6. **29.Nc3?** -5.34/24 **R8xc3** Weighted Error Value: White=0.49/Black=0.15 (very precise)
0-1

C18

□ **Ragozin,Viacheslav**
■ **Botvinnik,Mikhail**
Moscow (11) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

C18: French: 3 Nc3 Bb4: Main line: 7 h4 and 7 Qg4 John Watson,Kitty Kat: 'C18: French: 3 Nc3 Bb4: Main line: 7 h4 and 7 Qg4 ' **1.d4 e6 2.e4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e5 c5 5.a3 Bxc3+ 6.bxc3 Ne7 7.Qg4 cxd4 8.cxd4 Qc7 9.Qd1N** -0.67/22

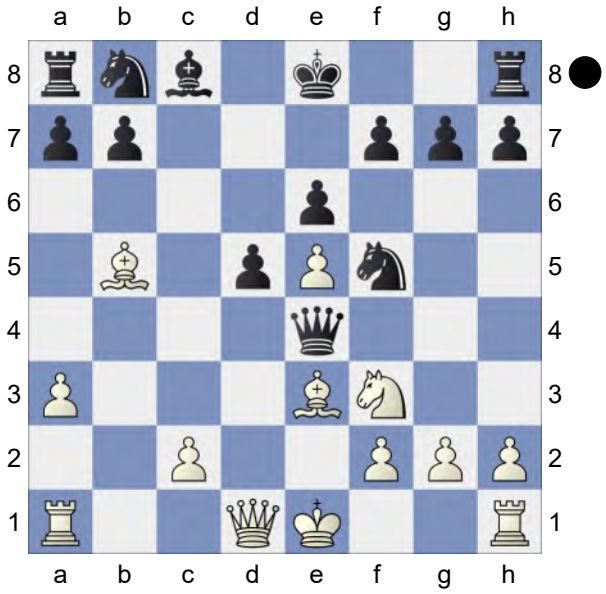
[9.Qxg7 Qc3+ 10.Kd1 Qxd4+ 11.Bd3 Rg8-+]

[White should play 9.Kd1= 0.01/21]

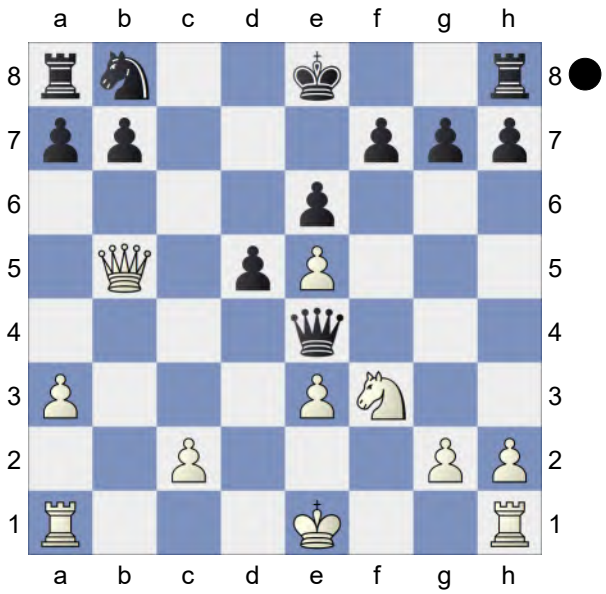
[9.Bd2 Nd7 *(9...Qxc2 10.Rc1 Qe4+ 11.Qxe4 dxe4 12.Ne2 Nbc6 13.Be3 Nf5 14.Nc3 Ncxd4 15.Nxe4 0-0 16.Bxd4 Nxd4 17.Rc7 Rd8 18.Nd6 Nf5 19.Nxf5 exf5 20.Bc4 Rd7 21.Rxd7 Bxd7 22.Bd5 Rc8 23.Kd2 b6 24.Re1* 0-1 Praggnanandhaa,R (2608)-Nepomniachtchi,I (2784) 1st Abu Dhabi Super Blitz chess.com INT 2020 (4)*; 9...0-0 10.Bd3 b6 11.Ne2 Ba6 12.Bh6 Ng6 13.h4 Bxd3 14.cxd3 f5 15.Qg3 Rf7 16.h5 Nf8 17.0-0 Nc6 18.Rfc1 Rc8 19.Bd2 Qb7 20.h6 g6 21.Qg5 a5 22.Rab1 b5 23.Rc2 Na7 24.Rxc8* ½-½ Quan, Z (1985)-LINE 4 4.Nf3 g6 (2442) Srbija 110/(41) 2010 (3.3)*)* 10.Qxg7 Rg8 11.Qxh7 Nxe5 12.c3 Nc4 13.Bxc4 Qxc4 14.g3 Bd7 15.Qh5 Bb5 16.Qe2 Rc8 17.Qxc4 Bxc4 18.f4 Bd3 19.Nf3 f6 20.Kf2 Kf7 21.Rag1 Ng6 22.g4 Be4 23.h4 Rg7 1-0 8.c4 c6-Georg,M YUG-chT2 Tivat 1995 (4)]

9...Qc3+∓ 10.Bd2 Qxd4 11.Nf3 Black is better. **11...Qe4+ 12.Be3 Nf5 13.Bb5+?** -2.65/23

[13.Qd2∓ -1.04/20]



13...Bd7-+ 14.Qd3 Nxe3 15.fxe3 Bxb5 16.Qxb5+



Nd7!

[Inferior is 16...Nc6 17.Qxb7 Qxe3+ 18.Kd1=]

17.0-0 Qxe3+

[Stronger than 17...Qxc2 18.Rac1 Qe4 19.Kf2=]

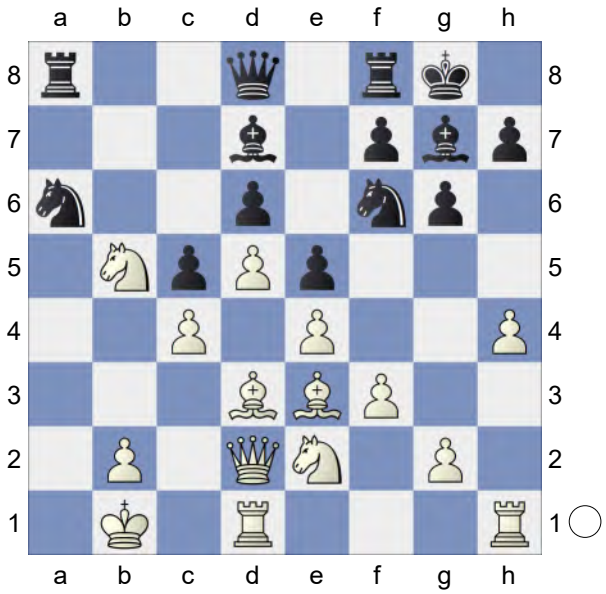
18.Kh1 Qc5 19.Qa4 Qc4 20.Qxc4 dxc4 21.Rad1 Ke7 22.Rd4 Rac8 23.h4 b5 24.Re4 Rc5 25.Kh2 h6

26.Kh3 Rhc8 27.Rfe1 Rd5 28.h5 Rcc5 29.g4 a5 30.Kg3 Nb8 31.g5 hxg5 32.Rg4 -5.20/22
[⌓32.Nxg5 -3.40/22 Nc6 33.Rf4 Nxe5 34.Ne4]
32...Nc6 Black is clearly winning. **33.Rxg5 Kf8** Hoping for ...b5-b4. **34.h6 gxh6 35.Rh5 Ne7 36.Kf4 Nf5 37.Re4 Rd1 38.Nh2 b4 39.Ng4 Rf1+** White got outplayed after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.68/ Black=0.12 (very precise)
0-1

E87

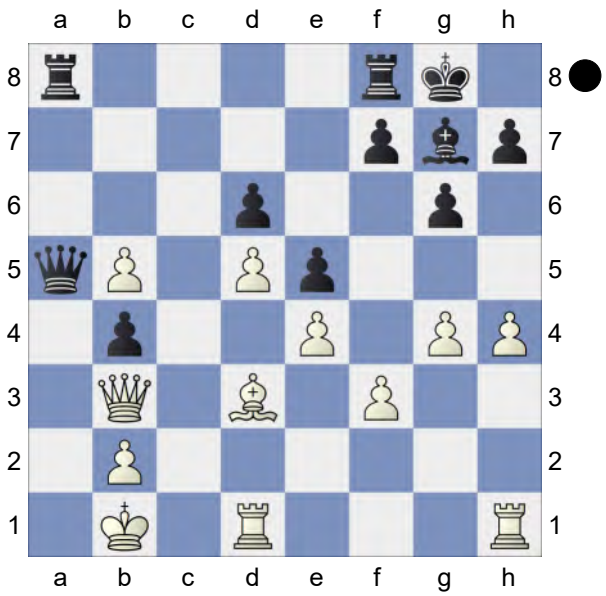
□ **Bohatirchuk,Fedor Parfenovich**
■ **Menchik,Vera**
Moscow (11) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

E87: King's Indian: Sämisch: 6...e5 7 d5
1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 e5 4.Nc3 d6 5.e4 g6 6.f3 Bg7 7.Be3
[7.Bg5 h6 8.Be3 a6 9.Bd3 Nbd7 10.Nge2 Rb8 11.Qd2 h5 12.0-0-0 Qa5 13.Kb1 0-0 14.h4 b5 15.Rdg1 bxc4 16.Bc2 Nh7 17.Ka1 Qb4 18.Rb1 Ndf6 19.Bh6 Bd7 20.Rhg1 Rb7 21.Ng3 Rfb8 1-0 Petursson,M (2565)-Larsen,B (2515) Reykjavik Olafsson 1995 (5)]
7...0-0 8.Bd3 Ne8 1.19/18
[Black should try 8...Nh5 0.78/19]
9.Nge2 Nd7N
[9...Bh6 10.Qd2 Bxe3 11.Qxe3 Qh4+ 12.g3 Qh3 13.Nd1 Kg7 14.Nf2 Qh6 15.Kd2 Qxe3+ 16.Kxe3 Nd7 17.a3 a6 18.b4 Rb8 19.Rhb1 Nc7 20.Nc3 b6 21.Be2 Rb7 22.Nd3 f5 23.bxc5 bxc5 24.exf5 1-0 Heckler, M-13. ♕d2 ♘d4 Magyarorszag - Oesterreich 17/104 1974 Nb6 25.Nf2 gxf5 26.g4 Kf6 27.Ra2 Bd7 28.gxf5 Bxf5 29.Nfe4+ Ke7 30.Rab2 Rfb8 31.Kf2 Bc8 32.Nxd6 Kxd6 33.Ne4+ Ke7 34.d6+ Kd8 35.Nxc5 1-0 Heckler,M-13. ♕d2 ♘d4 Magyarorszag - Oesterreich 17/104 1974]
10.Qd2 White is better. **10...a6 11.0-0-0** 0.47/21
[11.g4± 1.34/18]
11...Nc7± 12.Kb1 Nf6 13.h4 Bd7 14.a4 b5 15.axb5 0.01/21
[15.Rdg1± 0.39/21]
15...axb5= 16.Nxb5 Na6



...Bd7xb5 is the strong threat. **17.Nec3 Bxb5 18.Nxb5**
[18.cxb5!? Nb4□ 19.b3=]
18...Nb4 ...Qd8-a5 would now be deadly. **19.Qc3! Ne8** 0.01/20
[19...Ra6∓ -0.77/20]
20.Qb3 Active counter play! **20...Nc7 21.Bd2** -0.70/23
[White should play 21.Be2= 0.01/20]
21...Nxb5∓ 22.cxb5 Qa5 23.Bxb4 cxb4 24.g4

(Diagram)



f5 -0.01/21 **25.Rhf1** -0.66/21
[25.gxf5= -0.01/21 Bh6 26.h5 gxf5 *(26...Qa1+? 27.Kc2+-)* 27.exf5]
25...Rfc8 0.01/19
[25...fxg4∓ -0.66/21 26.fxg4 Rf4 27.Rxf4 exf4]
26.Bc4= The position is equal. **26...f4 27.Rc1** White is weak on the dark squares **27...Bf6 28.h5 g5 29.Qa2** Black must now prevent Qa2xa5. **29...Qb6**
[29...Qd8!? 30.Qb3□ Qa5=]
30.Qb3 Qa5 31.Qa2 Weighted Error Value: White=0.17 (very precise) / Black=0.14 (very precise)
½-½

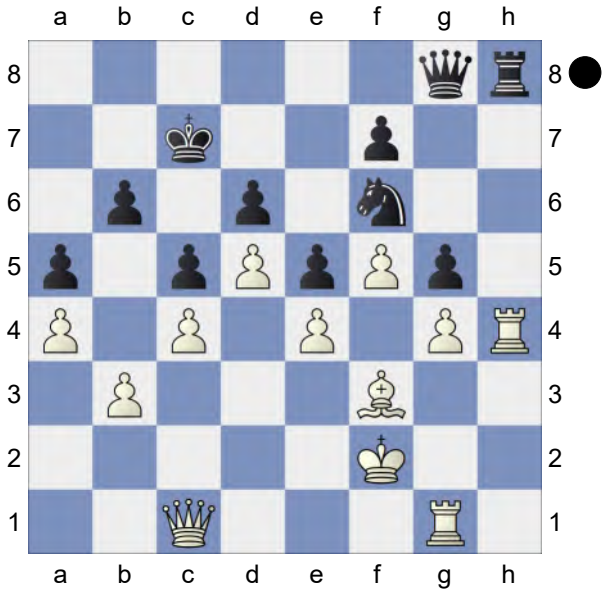
E16

□ **Chekhover,Vitaly**
■ **Capablanca,Jose Raul**
Moscow (11) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

E16: Queen's Indian: 4 g3 Bb7 5 Bg2 Bb4+ **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 b6 4.g3 Bb7 5.Bg2 Bb4+ 6.Bd2 Bxd2+ 7.Qxd2 0-0 8.0-0 d6 9.Nc3 Nbd7 10.Qc2 a5N** 0.90/20
[10...d5± 0.53/18]
[10...a6 11.Rfe1 Qb8 12.e4 e5 13.Nd5 Re8 14.Rad1 Bc6 15.Qc3 Qb7 16.Nh4 b5 17.dxe5 Rxe5 18.Nf3 Ree8 19.Nd4 b4 20.Qc2 Bxd5 21.cxd5 Qb6 22.Qc6 Qa7 23.Qc4 a5 24.Nc6 Qc5 25.Qd4 0-1 Rognon,R (2619)-Dorn,M (2609) Berlin-ch 2023 (9.2)]
11.Rfe1 Re8 12.Rad1 Qe7 White is better. **13.e4 Rab8 14.Qa4 Red8 15.Qa3 c5 16.d5 e5 17.b3 Nf8 18.Qc1 Bc8 19.h3 h6 20.Nh4 g5 21.Nf5 Bxf5 22.exf5 Qd7** Black is weak on the light squares **23.g4 Kg7 24.a4 N8h7 25.f3 Rh8 26.Kf2 Rbg8 27.Rh1 h5 28.Rde1 Kf8 29.Qc2 Ke7 30.Qb2 Qd8 31.Nb5 Qb8 32.Qa1 Nd7 33.Qc1**
[33.gxh5? loses. Nhf6 34.Reg1 Qf8∓ *(34...Nxh5? 35.Bf1-+; 34...Rxh5? 35.Ke1∓)*]
33...Ndf6 34.Qa1 0.01/21
[34.Ke2± 0.49/20]
34...Kd7 35.Nc3 Kc8 36.Re2 Nf8 37.Ree1 N8d7 38.Qb1 Kb7 39.Ne4 -0.75/22
[39.Qa2= 0.12/19 keeps the balance.]
39...Nxe4+∓ 40.fxe4 -1.35/24
[White should play 40.Rxe4 -0.84/20 Qd8 41.Ree1]
40...Nf6 41.Bf3 Rg7 42.Reg1 Qg8 -1.21/21
[42...Rh6-+ -1.69/23 43.gxh5 Qg8]
43.Qc1 Kc7 -0.90/22
[⌓43...Rh6 -1.33/23 44.Qe3 hxg4 45.Rxg4 Nxg4+ 46.Bxg4 Kc7]
44.Qe3 -1.49/22
[Better is 44.Rg2 -0.90/22]
44...hxg4 45.hxg4 Rgh7 46.Qc1 -0.96/27

[46.Rxh7-+ -1.74/28 Rxh7 47.Rg3]

46...Rh4 47.Rxh4



Remove Defender **47...Rxh4**

[Worse is 47...gxh4 48.g5 Nd7 49.Kg2±]

48.Rg2 -1.79/25

[48.Ke2∓ -1.09/25 keeps fighting.]

48...Qg7-+ 49.Ke2 Qh6 And now ... Rh4-h1 would win. **50.Kd3 Rh1 51.Qd2** -3.36/25

[51.Rg1∓ -1.55/25 Rh2 52.Qd1]

51...Qh3 52.Qe2 Rb1 53.Kc3 -6.98/24

[53.Kc2 -3.21/23 Qh1 54.Qd2]

(Diagram)

53...Re1!! Skewer. Weighted Error Value: White=0.36/Black=0.12 (very precise)

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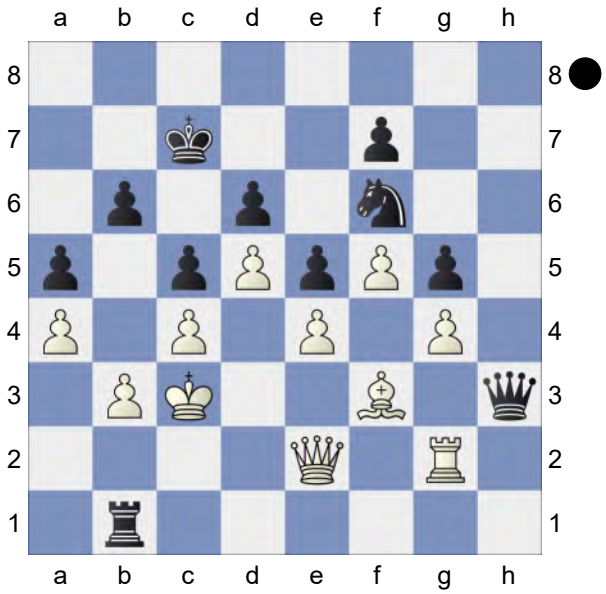


B70

□ **Goglidze,Victor Arsentievich**

■ **Lisitsin,Georgy**

Moscow (12) 1935

[Kitty Kat]

B72: Sicilian Dragon: 6 Be3, lines with h3+Bc4 and sidelines The First Time...:- that the 'pure' Dragon move order was played according to my database was 1934. This game shows that there was still a lot to be learnt about the value of the Dragon bishop. **1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6 6.Bg5 Bg7 7.Qd2 Nc6 8.Nb3 Be6**

[8...0-0 9.f3 a5 10.a4 Be6 11.Bb5 Rc8 12.0-0 Nb4 13.Rad1 Qc7 14.Nd4 Bc4 15.Bxc4 Qxc4 16.Bh6 Qc5 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Kh1 Kg8 19.Ncb5 Nc6 20.Rfe1 Nxd4 21.Nxd4 b6 22.b3 Qc3 23.Qf2 1-0 3.e4 c5 (2471)-7.b4 cd4 8.cd4 ♘f5 (2282) chess24.com (Int.-blitz) 144/(83) 2020 (11.4)]

9.Be2 Rc8 10.Bh6N

[10.0-0 a6 11.Rad1 0-0 12.f3 Ne5

13.Nd5 Bxd5 14.exd5 b5 15.Kh1 Nc4 16.Bxc4 bxc4 17.Bxf6 Bxf6 18.Nd4 Qb6 19.b3 cxb3 20.cxb3 Bxd4 21.Qxd4 Qxd4 22.Rxd4 Rc2 23.Ra4 Rfc8 24.Rxa6 Rf2 1-0 Thavandiran,S-Magallanes,F Fernturnier 1985 25.Kg1 Rd2 26.Rc6 Rb8 27.Ra1 Rxd5 28.Rc2 Ra5 29.Rb1 d5 30.Kf2 e5 31.Ke2 f6 32.Kd2 Kf7 33.Kc1 d4 34.Kb2 f5 35.Rd1 Rd5 36.a4 d3 37.Rc7+ Kf6 38.Rc6+ Kf7 39.Rc7+ Kf6 1-0 Ragozin,V-Lisitsin,G URS-ch09 Leningrad 1934]

10...0-0 11.Bxg7 Kxg7 12.h4 -0.37/20

[12.0-0-0= -0.01/19 is more appropriate.]

12...h5∓ 13.f4 -0.86/19

[13.0-0-0= -0.20/19]

13...Bg4 0.00/20

[13...d5∓ -0.86/19 14.e5 Ne4 15.Nxe4 dxe4 16.Qxd8 Rcxd8 *(16...Rfxd8 17.c3∓)*]

14.0-0-0 Qb6 15.Bf3 Rfd8 16.Kb1 Na5

[16...e6 is interesting. 17.f5 Ne5 18.fxg6 fxg6 19.Rhf1 Nc4]

17.Nxa5 Qxa5 18.Bxg4 Nxg4 19.Rh3 Qc5 20.Rf3 Prevents Ng4-f2 **20...Rd7** 0.67/22

[20...e6= 0.01/20]

21.Nd5!± e6? 2.30/20

[21...Re8± 0.71/20 keeps fighting.]

22.Rc3+- Skewer **22...exd5 23.Rxc5**

[23.exd5 Qxc3 24.bxc3 Rc5±]

23...Rxc5 24.Qd4+

[24.exd5 Rdc7]

24...Kg8 25.exd5 Re7 26.b4 Rc8 27.Rd3 Prevents Ng4-e3 **27...Rec7 28.c3**

[28.Qxa7 b5 29.Qa3 Rxc2=]

28...b6 29.Rf3 Rc4 30.Qd2 f5 31.Qe2! Re4 32.Qa6 Rc7 33.Kb2 Ne3 34.Kb3 Against Ne3-c4 **34...Nxd5?** 2.73/24

[34...Nxg2± 0.52/25 35.c4 Kf7]

35.Rd3 Nxf4 36.Rxd6 Re3 37.Rd2? 0.01/26

[37.Qf1!+- 2.38/27 Ne6 38.Qc1]

37...Rcxc3+= 38.Kb2 Nd3+! 39.Rxd3 Deflection **39...Rcxd3** Endgame. KQ-KRR **40.Qc4+ Kf8** ...Rd3-d2+ would now be deadly. **41.Qc6 Kf7** Dodges Qc6-f6+ **42.Qc7+ Ke6 43.Qxa7 Re2+ 44.Kc1 Rd6 45.Qa8 Re4** -0.37/23

[45...Ke5∓ -0.74/23 Threatens to win with ...Re2-e4. 46.Qf3 Re4 *(46...Rxa2? 47.Qe3+ Kd5 48.Qb3+ Kd4 49.Qxa2+-)* 47.Qg3+ Kd5]

46.Qe8+!∓ Kd5 47.Qb5+ Kd4 White must now prevent ...Kd4-c3!

48.Kc2 Rxh4 0.01/25

[48...Rg4∓ -0.52/22 49.Qd3+ Ke5 50.Qe3+ Re4 51.Qg3+ Kd5]

49.Qd3+ -1.24/5

[49.a4= 0.01/25 Rg4 50.a5 Rxg2+ 51.Kc1 Rg1+ 52.Kc2 Rg2+ 53.Kc1]

49...Ke5∓ 50.Qg3+ Rf4 51.Qe3+ Re4 52.Qg3+ -2.32/24

[52.Qc3+∓ -1.17/23 Red4 53.a4]

52...Kd5 53.Kb3 -1.87/23

[53.Qb3+∓ -1.42/25 Kc6 54.a4]

53...h4 54.Qc3 Rd4 55.Qe3 Re4? 0.01/22

[55...Re6-+ -1.93/21 56.Qc3 Ree4]

56.Qc3= Ke6 -0.86/24

[56...f4-+ -2.15/23 is more deadly. (→ ...Re4-e3) 57.Kb2 Rde6 *(57...g5? 58.Qg7-+)* 58.Qd3+ Kc6 59.b5+ Kc5]

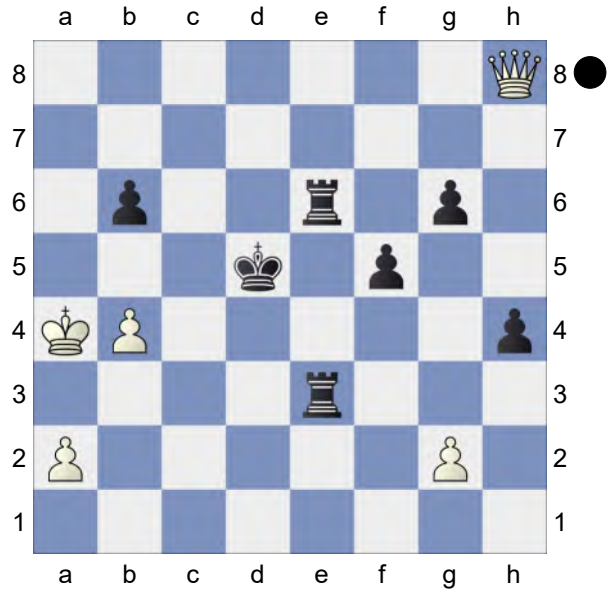
57.Qg7 -2.17/21

[57.Qc8+∓ -0.86/24 Kd5 58.a4]

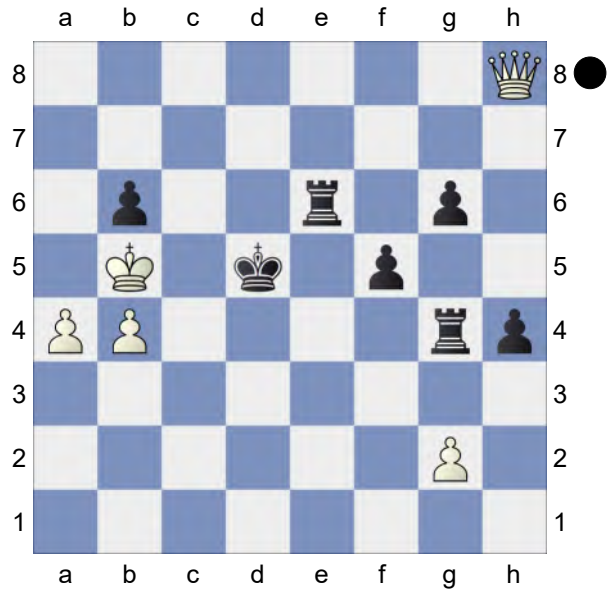
57...Kd5? 0.01/20

[57...Rd3+-+ -2.17/21 58.Ka4 Rg3 59.Qg8+ Kf6 60.Qd8+ Kg7]

58.Qc3! Rde6 59.Ka4 Re3 -1.17/24
[59...f4-+ -1.79/21 60.Kb5 g5]
60.Qh8



R3e4 0.01/22
[60...h3!∓ -1.31/22 61.gxh3 Ke4]
61.Kb5 -0.85/21
[61.Qc3!= 0.01/22 remains equal.]
61...Rg4∓ 62.a4

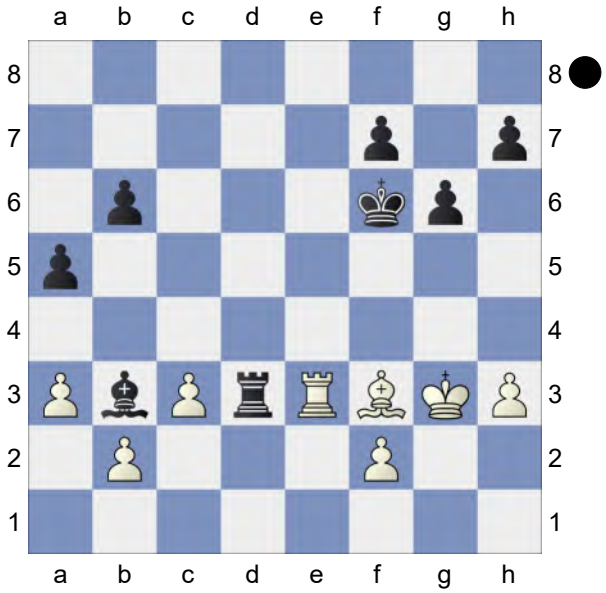


Rge4 -0.29/22
[62...Rxg2? perishes. 63.Qa8+ *(63.Qxh4 Rd2∓)* 63...Ke5 64.Qxg2+-]
[62...Re5!∓ -1.07/20 Hoping for ...Kd5-d6+. 63.Qg8+ Kd4+ 64.Ka6 *(64.Kxb6 Kc3∓)* 64...Ke3 *(64...Rxg2 65.Qd8+ Ke4 66.Qxh4+ f4 67.Kxb6=)*]
63.Qd8+ Rd6 64.Qc7 -1.07/22
[White should play 64.Qh8∓ -0.52/23]
64...Rd4 -0.14/22
[64...Ke6∓ -1.07/22 aiming for ...Rd6-d5+. 65.Qg7 Rd5+ 66.Ka6 Rg4 *(66...Rxb4 67.Qxg6+ Ke5 68.Qg7+ Ke6 69.Qg8+ Kd6 70.Qd8+ Kc5 71.Qc7+ Kd4 72.Qf4+ Kc3 73.Qc1+ Kd3 74.Qa3+ Kc4 75.Qc1+ Kd3 76.Qa3+ Kc4 77.Qc1+ Kd3=)*]
65.Qe7= Re6 66.Qd8+ Rd6 67.Qe7 Re6 0.01/19
[67...h3∓ -0.74/21 68.gxh3 Re4]
68.Qd8+ Ke5 69.Qh8+ Rf6 70.a5 bxa5 71.bxa5 Rdd6 72.Kc5 And now Qh8-b8! would win. **72...Rc6+ 73.Kb5 Rce6 74.Qxh4**
[74.a6 Rxa6 75.Qxh4 Rab6+ 76.Ka5 f4∓]
74...f4 75.Qg4 Ke4 76.Kb4 Ke3 77.Qf3+ Kd4 78.Qd1+ Ke5 79.Qd3 Rd6 80.Qb5+ Ke4 81.Qb7+ Kf5 82.Kc5 Ra6 83.Qc8+ Kg5 84.Kb4 Rae6 85.Qa8 Kh4 86.Qf3! Rf5 -0.01/22
[86...Rc6∓ -0.42/21]
87.Qb7 Re2 88.Qc6 Rb2+ 89.Kc3 Rbb5 90.Qxg6 Rxa5 91.Kd3 Rfe5 92.Kd4 Re3 93.Kc4 Rg5 94.Qh7+ Rh5 95.Qf7 Rg3 96.Qe7+ Rhg5 97.Qh7+ Rh5 98.Qe7+ Rgg5 99.Qe1+ Kg4 100.Qd1+ Kg3 101.Qf3+ Kh2 102.Qxf4+ Rg3 103.Kd4 What a bad dream for Black. Weighted Error Value: White=0.23 (precise) /Black=0.43
½-½

A16

□ **Riumin,Nikolay Nikolaevich**
■ **Kan,Ilia Abramovich**
Moscow (12) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

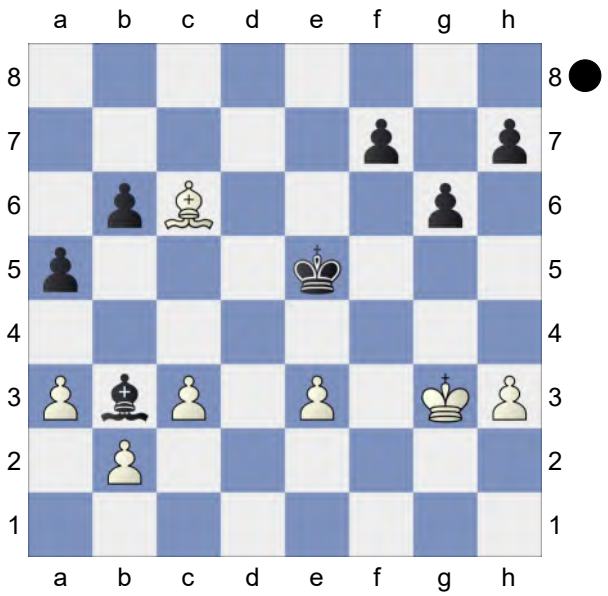
A16: English Opening: 1...Nf6 with ...d5
1.c4 Nf6 2.Nc3 c6 3.e4 d5 4.cxd5 cxd5 5.e5 d4
[5...Nfd7 6.d4 Nc6 7.Nge2 Nb6 8.Ng3 g6 9.h4 h5 10.Be2 Bd7 11.Bg5 f6 12.Bd3 Kf7 13.Be3 fxe5 14.Qf3+ Kg7 15.Nxd5 Nxd5 16.Qxd5 Be8 17.Qe4 exd4 18.Bd2 Bf7 19.0-0 Kg8 20.f4 1-0 Lim,R (2645)-13.Rad1 Qb6 14.b3 (2585) chess.com (Int.-blitz) 156/(199) 2023 (7)]
6.Qa4+N
[6.exf6 simplifies dxc3 7.dxc3 *(7.fxg7 cxd2+ 8.Bxd2 Bxg7 9.Qb3 Nc6 10.Ne2 0-0 11.Bc3 e5 12.Rd1 Qe7 13.a3 Be6 14.Qc2 Rfd8 15.Rxd8+ Rxd8 16.Ng3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 exd4 18.Bd3 Bb3+ 19.Qe2 Qxe2+ 20.Nxe2 a6 21.0-0 b5* ½-½ Kuznetsov,V (2224)-Petrov,Y (2105) 60th ch-RUS sf Urals Nizhnij Tagil RUS 2007 (9) *22.Rc1 Bc4 23.Rd1 Bb3 24.Rc1 Bc4 25.Rd1* ½-½ Moncorge (2224)-2.Nf3 g6 3. Nbd2 (2105) Groningen op 1989 (9)) 7...Qxd1+ 8.Kxd1 gxf6 9.Nf3]
6...Nc6 0.21/16
[⌓6...Nfd7 -0.15/17]
7.exf6= dxc3 8.dxc3 The position is equal. **8...exf6 9.Be3** Wards off Bf8-c5 **9...Be7 10.Nf3 0-0 11.Be2 Qc7 12.0-0 Bd6 13.Rfd1 Be6 14.h3 a6 15.Qh4 Rfe8 16.Bd3 f5** 0.45/16
[16...h6= -0.01/18]
17.Nd4 -0.08/17
[17.Ng5± 0.45/16 h6 18.Nxe6 fxe6 19.Re1]
17...Nxd4 18.Bxd4 Bh2+ 19.Kh1 Be5 20.Bf1 Bxd4 21.Rxd4 Rad8 0.28/17
[⌓21...h6 -0.17/17]
22.a3 -0.44/18
[22.Rad1!= 0.28/17 Rxd4 23.Qxd4]
22...Rxd4∓ 23.Qxd4 Rd8 24.Qe3 f4 White is weak on the light squares **25.Qe1 Qd6 26.Be2 Bb3 27.Bf3 b6 28.Qe4 a5** Dodges Qe4-b4 **29.Re1 g6** Prevents Qe4-f5 **30.Kh2 Kg7 31.Qe5+ Qxe5 32.Rxe5** Endgame. KRB-KRB **32...Rd6 33.g3 fxg3+ 34.Kxg3 Kf6 35.Re4 Rd2 36.Re2 Rd3** ...Bb3-d1 would now be deadly. **37.Re3**



Rxe3 38.fxe3∓ KB-KB **38...Ke5** Repels Bf3-e4 **39.Bc6** -1.27/19
[⌓39.Bg2 -0.89/20]

(Diagram)

39...f5 -0.65/23
[39...Bd5!∓ -1.27/19 40.Bb5 Be4]
40.a4? -3.05/25 This move loses the game for White.
[40.h4∓ -0.65/23]
40...g5-+ 41.h4 gxh4+ 42.Kxh4 f4



43.Kg4 -8.40/26
[⌓43.exf4+ -4.12/25 Kxf4 44.Bd7]
43...Bd1+ Black is clearly winning.
44.Kh3 fxe3 (→ ...e3-e2) **45.Kg2 Kf4 46.b4 Bb3** -5.42/24 Weighted Error Value: White=0.62/Black=0.14 (very precise)
[⌓46...h5 -11.04/25 47.Kf1 h4]
0-1

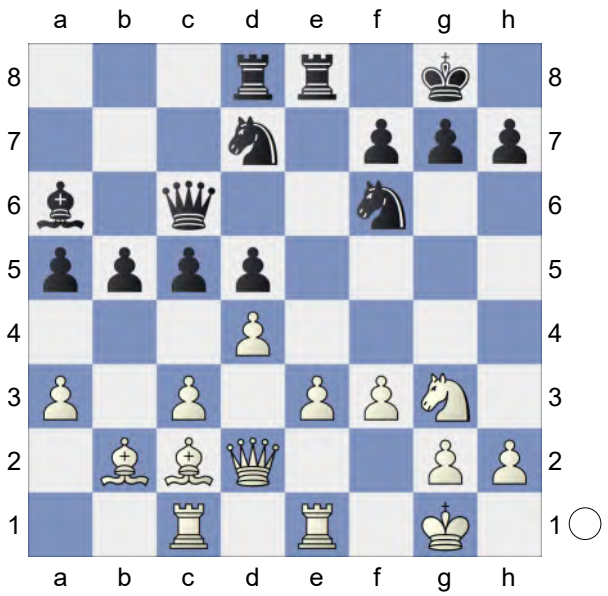
E22

□ **Stahlberg,Gideon**
■ **Rabinovich,Ilya Leontievich**
Moscow (12) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

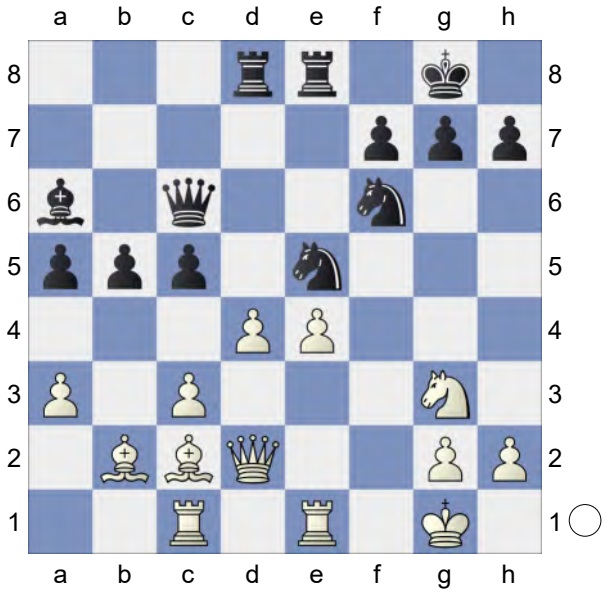
E22: Nimzo-Indian: 4 Qb3 **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Qb3 Qe7 5.e3N**
[5.Nf3 b6 6.g3 Bb7 7.Bg2 Bxc3+ 8.bxc3 Nc6 9.Ba3 d6 10.Qa4 Qd7 11.Nd2 0-0 12.e4 e5 13.0-0 Rfe8 14.Bb2 Na5 15.Qc2 c5 16.f4 Rac8 17.fxe5 dxe5 18.d5 Qe7 19.Qd3 Ba6 0-1 Laakso,O (2410)-Brandics,J (2550) British Cht (BPCTC) corr UK 1971 20.Rae1 Rcd8 21.Re3 Rf8 22.Rfe1 Ne8 23.Bf1 Nd6 24.Qc2 Qd7 25.Bc1 f6 26.Rf3 Rf7 27.Rf2 Rdf8 28.Qd1 Bc8 29.Bd3 Qg4 30.Be2 Qd7 31.Bd3 Qe8 32.Be2 Bd7 33.Bd3 Qc8 34.Bf1 Bg4 2 15. Chapter 6-Game 15. Chapter 6 Game]
[5.Bg5 Bxc3+ 6.bxc3 d6 7.g3 Nbd7 8.Bg2 c6 9.Nf3 h6 10.Bc1 e5 11.0-0 e4 12.Ne1 Nb6 13.Nc2 Be6 14.Ne3 0-0 15.a4 Qc7 16.a5 Nc8 17.Qc2 d5 18.c5 Qd7 19.a6 b5 0-1 Studeny,S (2285)-Sievers,S (2340) Bundesliga 9899 Germany 1998 (7.8)]
5...b6 6.Bd3 Bb7 7.f3 d5 0.24/18
[⌓7...0-0 -0.12/19]
8.Nge2 -0.14/20
[⌓8.cxd5 0.24/18 Nxd5 9.a3]
8...c5 9.a3 Bxc3+ 10.bxc3 Nbd7 0.51/21
[10...Ba6= -0.19/18]
11.cxd5± exd5 12.Qb1 0-0 13.0-0 Rfe8 14.Ng3 a5 0.79/19
[14...h5= 0.21/17 keeps the balance.]
15.Re1 0.37/18
[15.Ra2± 0.79/19]
15...Ba6 1.28/20
[15...h5± 0.37/18]
16.Bc2 0.36/19
[White should try 16.e4± 1.28/20]
16...Qd6 17.Bb2 Rac8 18.Qd1 Qc6 19.Rc1 Black must now prevent e3-e4.
19...Rcd8 1.10/19
[19...b5!= 0.28/18 remains equal.]
20.Qd2 b5

(Diagram)

21.e4 0.32/21
[21.c4!± 0.96/21]
21...dxe4 1.25/20
[Black should play 21...Nb6!± 0.32/21]
22.fxe4± And now Ng3-f5 would win.



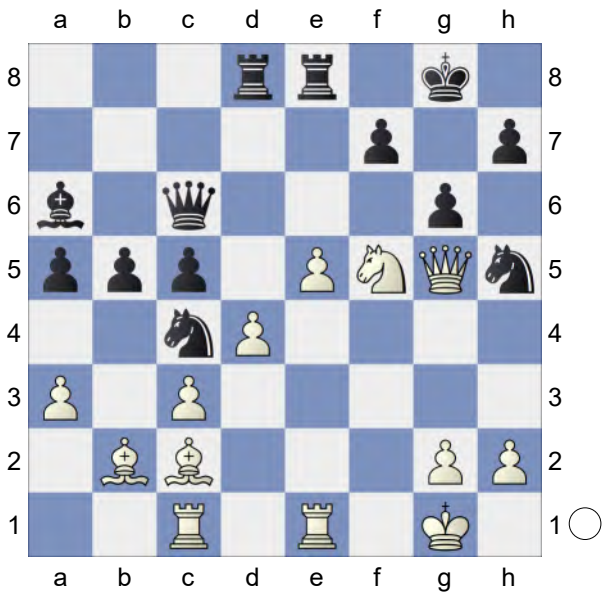
22...Ne5



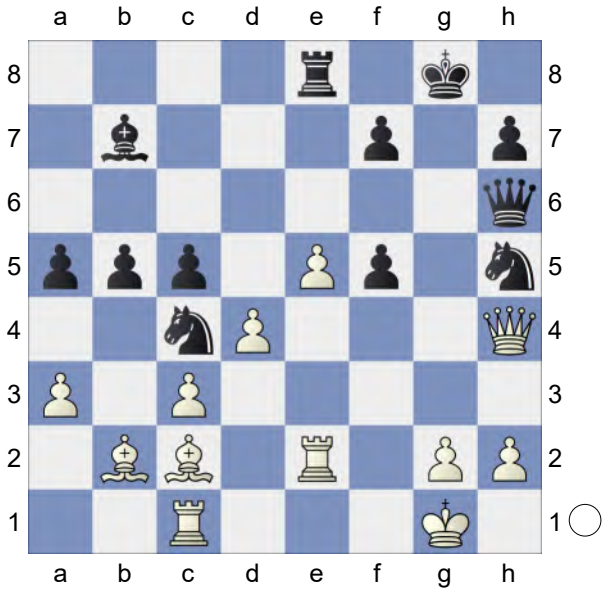
23.Nf5! Hoping for Qd2-g5. **23...Nc4?** 4.01/20 This move loses the game for Black.
[23...Bc8± 1.00/19]
24.Qg5+- g6 25.e5 Nh5

(Diagram)

26.Qxd8!!→ Deflection. White has strong attack. **26...gxf5 27.Qh4 Bb7 28.Re2**
[28.Qxh5? Qxg2#]



28...Qh6 4.99/22
[28...Qg6 2.11/20 29.Rf1 Ne3]



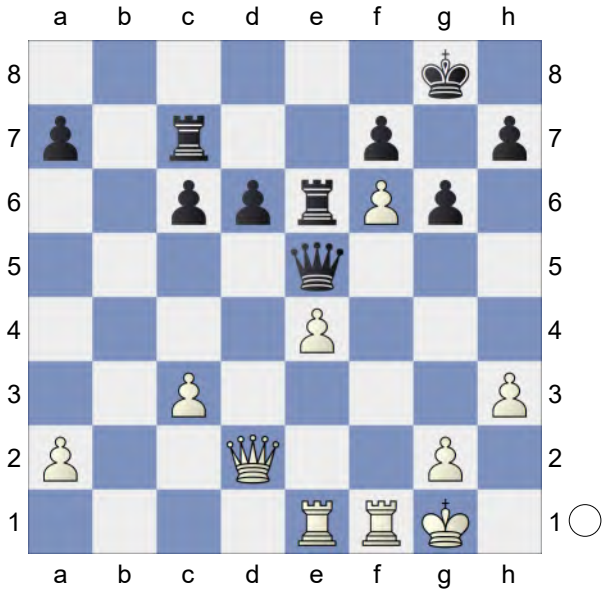
29.Rf1! Nxb2 30.Bxf5 Nc4 6.49/19
[⌓30...Na4 4.04/18 31.Bg4 Nxc3]
31.Bg4 White is clearly winning.
[31.dxc5 Rxe5 32.Qd8+ Kg7+-]
31...Ne3 32.Bxh5
[32.Qxh5 Qxh5 33.Bxh5 Nxf1±]
32...Rf8 33.Rf6 Qg7 34.Bf3
[34.Rxe3? Qxg2#]
34...Nd5 35.Re4 Re4-g4 is the strong threat. **35...Bc8 36.Bh5 Kh8 37.Rf3**

cxd4 38.cxd4 Qh6 8.67/22
[⌓38...b4 4.94/21 39.axb4 axb4 40.Bxf7 Nc3]
39.Bxf7 Weighted Error Value: White=0.49/Black=0.68
1-0

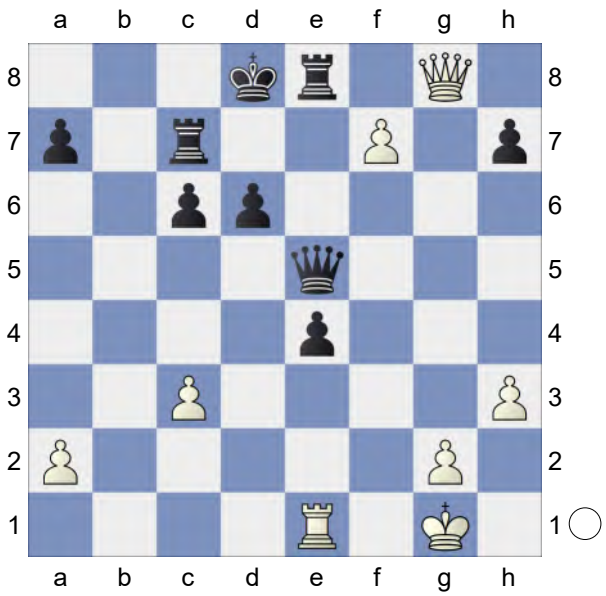
D85

□ **Spielmann,Rudolf**
■ **Flohr,Salo**
Moscow (12) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D94: Grünfeld: 4 Nf3 Bg7 5 e3 Ljubojevic, Lj: 'Inf 48/(60)' **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c6**
[2...g6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.g3 c5 5.Bg2 cxd4 6.Nxd4 0-0 7.Nc3 Nc6 8.0-0 Nxd4 9.Qxd4 d6 10.Bd2 Bd7 11.c5 Ne8 12.Qb4 a5 13.Qxb7 Rb8 14.Qa7 Rxb2 15.Ne4 Rxd2 16.Nxd2 Bxa1 17.Rxa1 Ljubojevic,L (2635)-Ehlvest,J (2620) Beograd 48/(60) 1989]
3.Nc3N
[3.Nf3 d5 4.e3 e6 5.b3 Nbd7 6.Bd3 Bd6 7.Bb2 0-0 8.Nbd2 b6 9.0-0 Bb7 10.Qe2 Re8 11.e4 dxe4 12.Nxe4 Nxe4 13.Qxe4 f5 14.Qe2 c5 15.dxc5 bxc5 16.Rfe1 Qc7 17.Ne5 Nf6 0-1 Ovezdurdiyeva,J (2020)-Abdyjapar,A (2302) Issykkul op Korumdu 2023 (1) 18.f3 a5 19.Bc2 Rad8 20.Rad1 Bf8 21.Bc3 Rd6 22.Rxd6 Bxd6 23.Rd1 Ne4 24.Bxe4 fxe4 25.f4 Rd8 26.Qg4 Qe7 27.a4 Bc7 28.Rxd8+ Bxd8 29.Qd1 Bc7 30.Qd7 Kf8 31.Qd2 Ke8 32.Bxa5 e3 0-1 Staunton (2020)-Boskovic,M (2302) Jurajski mem2 corr9294 Poland 1992 (1)]
3...d5 4.Nf3 g6 5.cxd5 Nxd5 6.e4 Nxc3 7.bxc3 Bg7 8.Bc4 c5 9.0-0 0-0 10.Ba3 0.38/19 White is more active.
[10.Be3± 0.79/19]
10...cxd4± 11.Nxd4 0.02/20
[11.cxd4± 0.39/21 is superior. Bg4 12.Rc1]
11...Qc7 12.Qb3 Nc6 13.Nxc6 bxc6 14.Rab1 Be5 15.h3 Bd6 16.Bxd6 exd6 17.f4 Qe7 18.Qa4 Be6 19.f5
[19.Qxc6? Rfc8 20.Rb7 Rxc6-+]
19...Bxc4 20.Qxc4 Rac8 21.Qd4 Rfe8 22.Rbe1 Rc7 23.f6 Qe5
[23...Qd8 simplifies 24.e5 dxe5 25.Qxd8 Rxd8 26.Rxe5 Rcd7]
24.Qd2 Qd2-h6 is the strong threat.
24...Re6



25.Rf5 gxf5 26.Qg5+ Kf8 27.Qg7+ Ke8 28.Qg8+ Kd7 29.Qxf7+ Kd8 30.Qg8+ Re8!
[30...Kd7? 31.f7 Rf6 *(31...Qc5+? 32.Kh1+-)* 32.f8Q Rxf8 33.Qxf8+-]
31.f7 Pin. Really sharp! **31...fxe4** 1.70/22
[31...Qc5+ 32.Kh1+-]
[Better is 31...Rxf7!± 0.68/25 32.Qxf7 Re7 *(32...fxe4 33.Rb1±)* 33.Qg8+ Re8 34.Qxh7 Re7 35.Qg8+ *(35.Qxf5? Qxf5 36.exf5 Rxe1+-+)* 35...Re8]

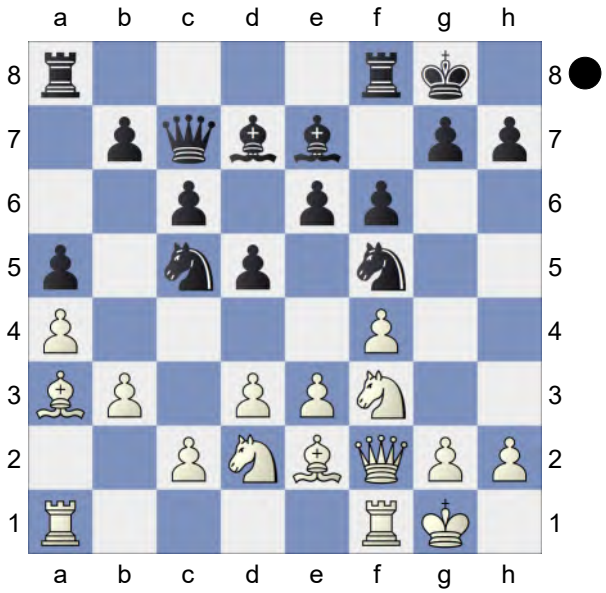


32.fxe8Q+? 0.02/5
[32.f8B? is the wrong capture. e3 *(32...Qxc3? 33.Rxe4 Rxe4 34.Bg7+ Re8 35.Qxe8+ Kxe8 36.Bxc3-+)* 33.Bxd6 Qxd6-+]
[Inferior is 32.fxe8N Qxe8 33.Qxe8+ Kxe8 34.Rxe4+ Kd7=]
[32.Rb1!+- 1.70/22 Rce7 *(32...Rxf7? 33.Qxf7 Re7 34.Rb8+ Kd7 35.Qg8+-)* 33.Rb8+ *(33.f8B? Kc8-+; 33.f8Q d5=; 33.fxe8B Rxe8 34.Rb8+ Kd7+-)* 33...Kd7 34.fxe8R *(34.f8R d5=; 34.fxe8Q+ Rxe8 35.Qxh7+ Re7+-)* 34...Rxe8 35.Rb7+ *(35.Qxh7+ Re7±)* 35...Kd8 36.Qxh7]
32...Qxe8= 33.Qxe8+ -0.14/5
[⌓33.Qg5+ 0.23/22 Qe7 34.Qg8+ Qe8 35.Qxe8+ Remove Defender Kxe8 36.Rxe4+ Kf7 37.Kf2]
33...Kxe8 34.Rxe4+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) / Black=0.08 (flawless)
½-½

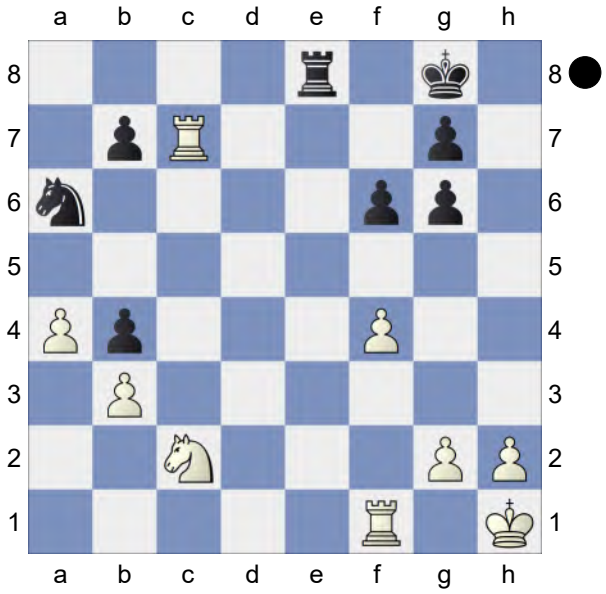
A03
□ **Romanovsky,Peter Arsenievich**
■ **Bohatirchuk,Fedor Parfenovich**
Moscow (12) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A03: Bird's Opening with 1...d5 **1.Nf3 d5 2.b3 Nf6 3.Bb2 e6 4.e3 Be7 5.Ne5**
[5.Be2 0-0 6.0-0 Ne4 *(6...c5 7.Ne5 Nfd7 8.f4 Nxe5 9.Bxe5 Nc6 10.Bb5 Bd7 11.Bxc6 Bxc6 12.d4 f6 13.Qg4 f5 14.Qh5 g6 15.Qe2 Qb6 16.Qf3 c4* 0-1 10.♕e1 (1544)-Eniashin,K (1957) Chelyabinsk (rapid) 146/193 2020 (2)) 7.d3 Bf6 8.Ne5 Nd7 9.f4 Nd6 10.Rf3 Nf5 11.Nd2 Nh4 12.Rh3 Bxe5 13.fxe5 c5 14.d4 a6 15.Bd3 g6 16.Qg4 Nf5 17.Rf1 h5 18.Qf4 Ng7 19.Qh6 Re8 1-0 Doettling,F (2540)-Kovacevic,B (2461) Mitropa Cup 21st Leipzig 2002 (1.3)]
5...0-0 6.f4 -0.41/17
[6.d4= 0.00/18]
6...Nbd7N
[6...Ne4 7.Be2 f6 8.Nf3 c5 9.0-0 Nc6 10.d3 Nd6 11.g4 Bd7 12.Qe1 b5 13.Nbd2 Qb6 14.c4 Nb4 15.Qf2 Rae8 16.a3 Nc6 17.Rab1 Nf7 18.Qg2 Rd8 19.h4 a6 20.g5 Nd6 21.e4 1-0 Nozdrachev,L (2480)-Buchholz,G (2275) 15/621 Zagreb 1973 (5) dxe4 22.dxe4 f5 23.Ne5 Nd4 24.Bd3 Bc6 25.Bxd4 cxd4 26.Nxc6 Qxc6 27.e5 Ne4 28.Nxe4 fxe4 29.Bxe4 Qb6 30.Bd3 Bxa3 31.Qe4 g6 32.h5 Rf7 33.hxg6 hxg6 34.Qxg6+ Rg7 35.Qh5 Qc7 36.Rf3 1-0 Movsziszian,K (2480)-Maahs,E (2275) Wichern op Hamburgo 1993 (5)]
7.Bd3 Ne8 8.0-0 Nc5 The position is equal. **9.Be2 a5 10.a4** -0.07/19

[10.c4± 0.37/19 is more appropriate.]
10...c6 11.Qe1 Nd6 12.d3 Nf5 13.Qf2 -0.71/19
[13.Bd1= -0.07/17 remains equal.]
13...f6∓ 14.Nf3 Bd7 0.09/17
[14...e5!∓ -0.56/19]
15.Nbd2 Qc7 16.Ba3



Threatens to win with e3-e4. **16...Na6 17.Bxe7 Nxe7 18.d4 Be8 19.c3 Nb8 20.Bd3 Nd7 21.Qh4 Bg6 22.e4** -0.30/19
[22.Bxg6 0.12/20 was preferrable. Nxg6 23.Qh3]
22...dxe4 23.Nxe4 Nd5 24.Ne1 -0.93/18
[24.Nfd2= -0.24/20]
24...Qb6 Hoping for ...Nd5xc3! **25.Qh3** -1.47/20
[⌓25.Kh1 -0.88/19]
25...c5 -0.33/21
[25...Qxb3 26.Qxe6+ Rf7 27.Rb1 Qxa4 28.Bc2± *(28.Rxb7? Nf8-+)*]
[Black should try 25...f5∓ -1.47/20 26.Nd2 Nxc3]
26.Nxc5 -1.58/21
[26.f5∓ -0.33/21 exf5 *(26...Bxf5 27.Rxf5 exf5 28.Qxf5±)* 27.Bc4]
26...Nxc5 27.Bxg6 hxg6
[Stronger than 27...Nxb3 28.Qxh7#]
28.dxc5 Qxc5+
[28...Qxb3 29.Qxe6+ Rf7 30.Nd3±]
29.Kh1 Qxc3? 0.09/24
[29...Rfe8∓ -1.43/22 aiming for ...Ra8-d8! 30.Rf3 Rad8]
30.Qxe6+= Rf7 31.Rd1 Nc7
[31...Qxb3? 32.Nf3+- *(32.Rxd5 Qxa4 33.Nf3 Qc6+-)*]
32.Qb6 Qb4 33.Qxb4 axb4 34.Nc2 Na6 35.Rd4 Re8 36.Rc4 Rc7 37.Rxc7
[37.Nxb4? too greedy. Rxc4 38.bxc4 Nxb4-+]



D e f l e c t i o n **37...Nxc7 38.Nxb4** KRN-KRN **38...Re3 39.Rb1 Re4 40.Nd3 Rd4 41.Nc5** -3.66/25
[41.Rd1= -0.01/22]
41...b6-+ 42.Nb7 Rxf4? -0.04/21
Weighted Error Value: White=0.39/Black=0.23 (precise)
[42...Rd7-+ -3.38/23 43.h4 Ne6 *(43...Na6? 44.Rc1-+)*]
½-½

E51

□ **Alatortsev,Vladimir**
■ **Ragozin,Viacheslav**
Moscow (12) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

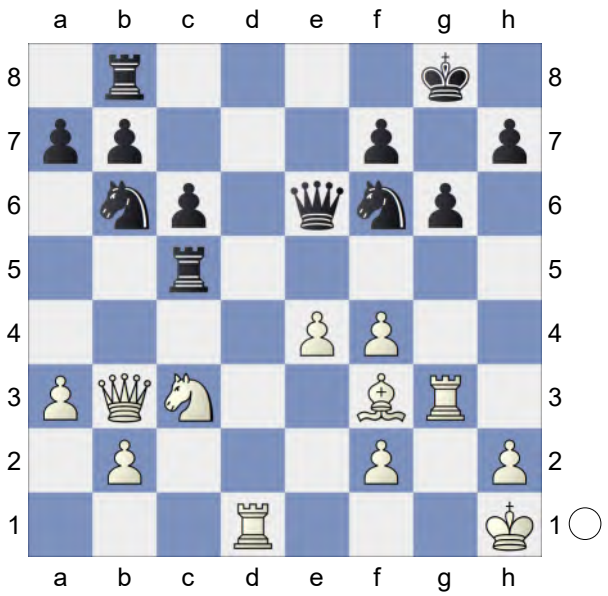
E51: Nimzo-Indian: Rubinstein: 4...0-0 5 Nf3 d5 **1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 d5 3.c4 e6 4.Nc3 Bb4 5.e3 0-0 6.Bd3 Nc6 7.0-0 dxc4**
[7...a6 8.a3 dxc4 9.Bxc4 Bd6 10.h3 h6 11.e4 e5 12.Be3 b5 13.Ba2 Bb7 14.Re1 exd4 15.Bxd4 Nxd4 16.Qxd4 c5 17.Qd2 Re8 18.Rad1 Bc7 19.Qe3 Qe7 20.Bd5 Bxd5 21.Nxd5 Nxd5 22.Rxd5 ½-½ Lesiege,A (2580)-Mitkov,N (2532) 34th Olympiad Istanbul TUR 2023 (6)]
[7...Qe7 8.a3 dxc4 9.Bxc4 Bxc3 10.bxc3 e5 11.a4 Rd8 12.Ba3 Qe8 13.Ng5 Rd7 14.Qc2 b6 15.d5 Na5 16.Bb5 h6 17.Nf3 Nxd5 18.Bxd7 Bxd7 19.Bc1 e4 20.Nd2 f5 21.Bb2 c5 22.c4 1-0 Dubinin,P-Ragozin,V URS-ch09 Leningrad 1934]
8.Bxc4 Bd7N
[8...Bd6 9.Bb5 e5 10.Bxc6 exd4 11.exd4 bxc6 12.Bg5 Bf5 13.Re1 Re8 14.Rxe8+ Qxe8 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Qd7 17.Re1 Re8 18.Rxe8+ Qxe8 19.Nh4 Bg6 20.Qe3 Qe6 21.Qxe6 fxe6 22.Nxg6 hxg6 23.Kf1 ½-½ Peicheva,V-Loktiev,I Jugoslavija (ch) Jugoslavija (ch) 13/523 1972 (11)]
[8...Qe7 9.Qc2 e5 10.dxe5 Nxe5 11.Be2 Bg4 12.Ng5 Bxc3 13.bxc3 Bxe2 14.Qxe2 Rfd8 15.Bb2 Qc5 16.c4 Qxc4 17.Qxc4 Nxc4 18.Bxf6 gxf6 19.Ne4 Nd2 20.Nxf6+ Kg7 21.Nh5+ Kh6 22.Rfc1 Kxh5 23.Rxc7 0-1 Salako,C (1901)-Okeke,I (2153) Lagos South West op 2023 (2)]
[8...a6 9.h3 h6 10.Re1 Bd6 11.e4 e5 12.Be3 Bd7 13.a3 exd4 14.Bxd4 Nxd4 15.Qxd4 b5 16.Ba2 Nh7 17.e5 Be7 18.Rad1 Bc6 19.Qe3 Qe8 20.e6 f5 21.Nd5 f4 22.Qc3 Bxd5 23.Bxd5 1-0 9.e5 ♘fd7 10.♗e3_69160-Shamsuddin,S 94/278 Minsk 2005]
9.Ne2 0.18/18
[9.Re1± 0.58/17 is superior.]
9...Bd6= 10.Bd3 White has an edge. **10...e5 11.dxe5 Bxe5 12.a3 Qe7 13.Qc2 Rfd8 14.Bd2 Bg4** ...Bg4xf3 would now be deadly. **15.Bc3 Bxf3 16.gxf3 Bxc3 17.Nxc3 Ne5 18.Be2 Rd6** 0.33/21
[18...c6= -0.04/21 might be stronger.]
19.Rad1± Rc6 20.Kh1 Qe6 1.34/20
[20...Ng6= 0.27/18]
21.f4± Nc4 22.Bf3 Rc5 2.08/20
[22...Rd6± 1.50/21]
23.Qb3 0.65/19
[23.Bxb7 Rb8±]
[23.b4+- 2.08/20 Nxa3 24.Qc1 Rxc3 25.Qxc3]
23...Rb8± 24.Rg1
[24.Bxb7? too greedy. Rh5 25.Rg1 Qh3-+]
24...c6 1.47/19
[Black should try 24...g6± 0.65/18]
25.Rg3 0.67/19 White is more active.
[25.Qc2± 1.47/19]
25...g6 26.e4 aiming for e4-e5. **26...Nb6**

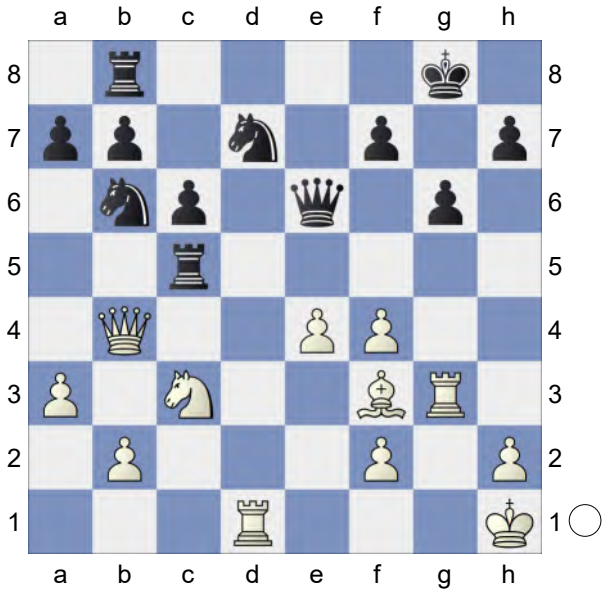
(Diagram)

27.Qb4 Nfd7 3.46/21
[27...Qe7± 0.79/20]

(Diagram)

28.Bg4!+- Skewer **28...f5 29.exf5**





[29.Bxf5 Rxf5 30.exf5 Qxf5±]

29...Rxf5 30.Bxf5 Qxf5 31.Rg5 Qh3 32.Qe4 Wards off Rb8-e8 **32...Nf6?** 11.53/20

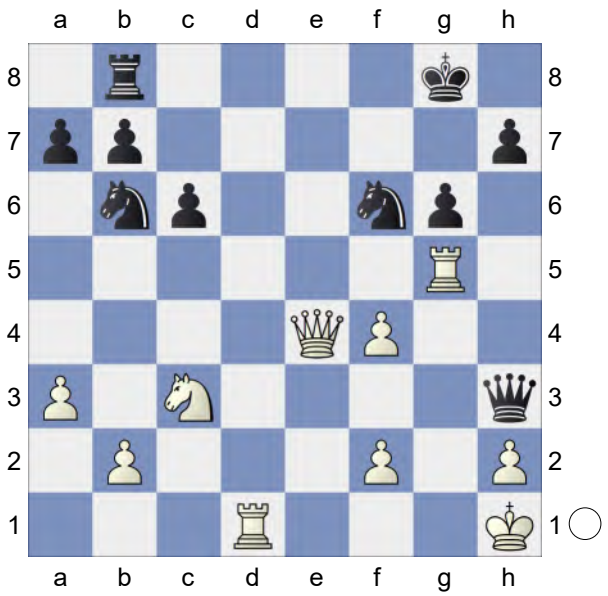
[32...Rf8 3.55/19 33.Qe3 Qxe3 34.fxe3 Rf7]

(Diagram)

33.Rxg6+! Demolition **33...hxg6**

[33...Kf7 34.Rxf6+]

34.Qxg6+ Kh8 35.Qxf6+ Kh7 36.Qf7+



6.05/5

[⌓36.Qe7+ #15/22 Kh8 37.Qe5+ Kh7 38.Qc7+ *(38.Qxb8 Qf3+ 39.Kg1 Qg4+ 40.Kf1 Qh3+ 41.Ke1 Qe6+ 42.Qe5 Qxe5+ 43.fxe5 Kg6+-)* 38...Nd7 39.Rxd7+ Qxd7 40.Qxd7+ Kg8 41.Qe6+ Kg7 42.f5]

36...Kh8 37.Qf6+? 0.01/5

[37.Rg1+- 12.12/23 Qf3+ 38.Rg2 Qxg2+ Remove Defender 39.Kxg2 Rg8+ 40.Kh1]

37...Kh7= 38.Qe7+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.54/Black=0.34

1-0

E38

□ **Menchik,Vera**

■ **Chekhover,Vitaly**

Moscow (12) 1935

[Kitty Kat]

E38: Nimzo-Indian: Classical: 4...c5 **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Qc2 c5 5.dxc5 Nc6 6.Nf3 Bxc5 7.Bg5N**

[7.e3 0-0 8.Be2 *(8.a3 d5 9.b4 Bd6 10.Bb2 a5 11.cxd5 axb4 12.dxc6 bxc3 13.Qxc3 Bc7 14.Qc2 Ba5+*

15.Bc3 Ne4 16.Bxa5 Qxa5+ 17.Nd2 Rd8 18.Rd1 Nxd2 19.Rxd2 Rxd2 20.Qxd2 bxc6 21.Bd3 Kf8 22.Qxa5 Rxa5 0-1 Corrigan,F-Martin Clemente,F Kobenhavn 52/188 1991 *23.Ke2 Rxa3 24.Rb1 Ke7 25.Rb8 Ra2+ 26.Ke1 Bd7 27.Bxh7 g6 28.Rb7 Ra8* 0-1 Corrigan,F-Martin Clemente,F Kobenhavn 52/188 1991*)* 8...d5 9.0-0 dxc4 10.Bxc4 a6 11.a3 Qe7 12.b4 Bd6 13.Bb2 Ne5 14.Be2 Qc7 15.Nxe5 Bxe5 16.f4 Bd6 17.Rae1 Qb6 18.Rf3 Bd7 19.Rh3 Rac8 20.Bd3 h6 21.Rf1 Rfd8 0-1 Kohn,H-Vaibhav,J Leningrad 3/129 1967 (1) 22.Qe2 e5 23.Rg3 Bc6 24.Bc4 Re8 25.fxe5 Bxe5 26.Rxf6 Bxf6 27.Qh5 Rxe3 28.Rxg7+ Bxg7 29.Qxf7+ Kh8 30.Qxg7+ Kxg7 31.Nd5+ Kg6 32.Nxb6 Rf8 33.h3 Re1+ 34.Kh2 Rf2 0-1 Engemann,T (2069)-Ronge,T (2266) Rheinland Pfalz op 13th Engers 2023 (3)]

[7.Bf4 0-0 8.e3 d5 9.a3 Be7 10.Rd1 Qa5 11.Nd2 e5 12.Nb3 Qb6 13.Bg5 d4 14.Bxf6 Bxf6 15.Nd5 Qd8 16.Bd3 g6 17.exd4 Nxd4 18.Nxd4 exd4 19.0-0 Bg7 20.Be4 Bg4 21.f3 Ruderfer,M-Zhidkov,V USSR 27/(523) 1979]

7...h6 8.Bh4 0-0 9.Rd1 Be7 10.e3 b6 11.Be2 White is slightly better. White is slightly better. **11...Bb7 12.0-0 Rc8 13.Qa4** 0.10/19

[White should play 13.Nb5± 0.61/18]

13...a6= 14.Bg3 Na5 15.Ne5 d6 16.b4 Nc6 0.19/18

[⌓16...b5 -0.17/21 17.Nxf7 *(17.Qxa5 Qxa5 18.bxa5 dxe5=; 17.cxb5 Rxc3 18.bxa5 Qa8!=)* 17...Kxf7 18.Qxa5 bxc4]

17.Bf3 -0.61/21

[17.Nd3= 0.19/18]

[17.Nd3= 0.20/21]

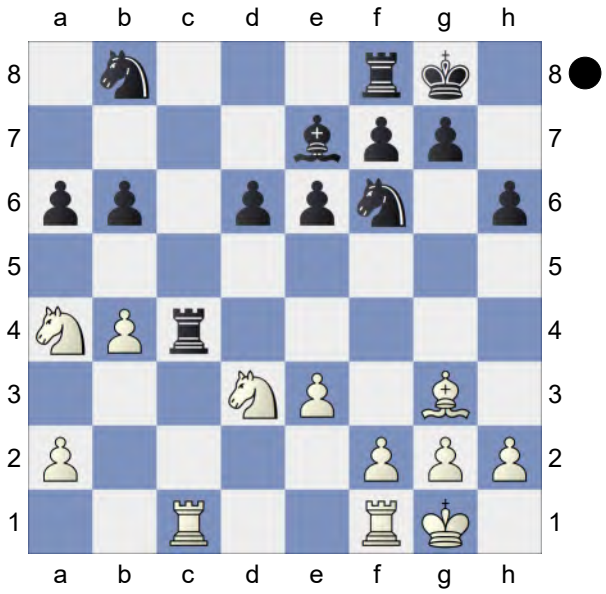
17...Qc7∓ 18.Nd3 Nb8 19.Bxb7 Qxb7 20.Qb3 Qc6 21.Na4 -1.23/20

[21.Rc1∓ -0.66/21]

[21.Rc1∓ -0.69/21]

21...b5

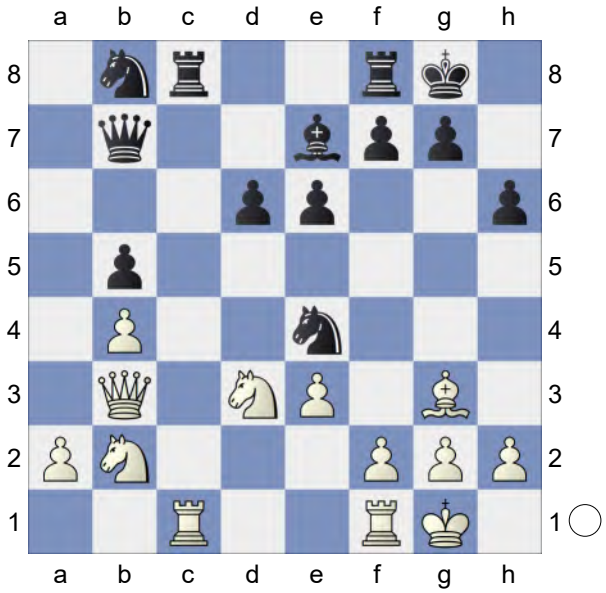
[Much worse is 21...Qxc4 22.Qxc4 Rxc4 23.Rc1 *(23.Nxb6 Rc3∓)*



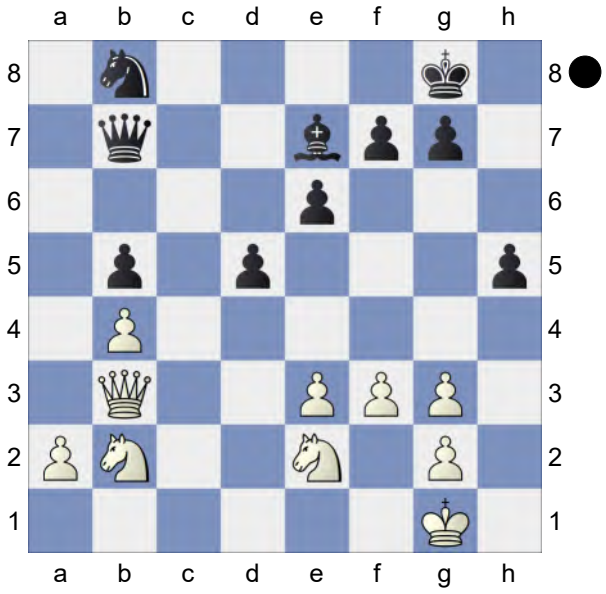
23...Rxc1! 24.Rxc1∓]

[21...Qxc4 22.Qxc4 Rxc4 23.Rc1 Rxc1 24.Rxc1=]

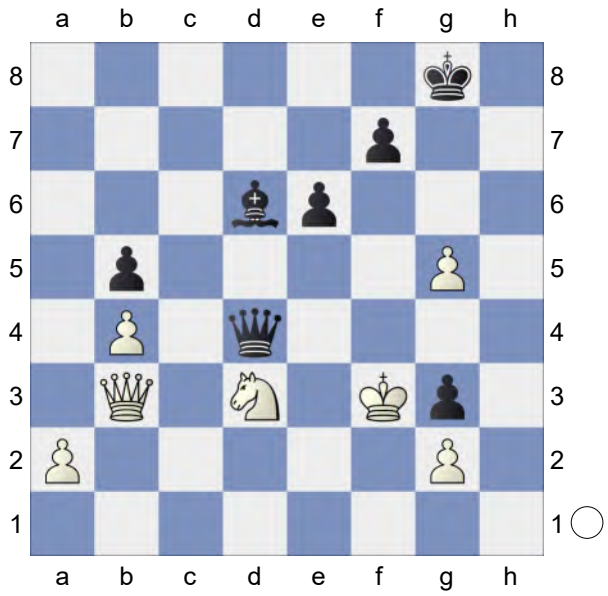
22.cxb5 axb5 23.Nab2 Ne4 24.Rc1 Qb7



aiming for ...Ne4-d2. Strongly threatening ...Ne4-d2. **25.Rxc8 Rxc8**
[25...Qxc8 26.Rc1 Qb7 27.Qc2-+]
26.Rc1 Rxc1+ 27.Nxc1 h5 ...h5-h4 would now be deadly. Threatens to win with ...h5-h4. **28.f3 Nxg3 29.hxg3 d5 30.Ne2** -1.42/21
[⩲30.Nbd3 -0.78/21]
[⩲30.Nbd3 -0.94/22]



30...Nc6!∓ 31.Nd3 Qa7 32.Kf2 d4 Inhibits Qb3-c3. Repels Qb3-c3 **33.exd4 Nxd4 34.Nxd4 Qxd4+** Endgame. KQB-KQN **35.Ke2 Bd6** -1.19/22
[⩲35...Qg1 -1.58/22 36.Ne1 h4]
36.f4 g5 Black is more active. **37.Kf3** -2.23/22
[37.a3∓ -1.39/20]
[37.a3∓ -1.13/22]
37...h4 38.fxg5? -3.08/24 White does not recover from this.
[38.gxh4∓ -1.37/22 was necessary. gxf4 (→ ...Qd4-e3+) *(38...Bxf4 39.Nxf4 Qxf4+ 40.Ke2-+; 38...gxh4* -0.61/20 38...g5xf4 -1.38 *39.Qc2∓)* 39.Nf2]
[⩲38.gxh4 -1.69/23 gxf4 *(38...Bxf4 39.Nxf4 gxf4 40.g3∓; 38...gxh4 39.Qc2∓)* 39.Nf2]
38...hxg3



Strongly threatening ...e6-e5. ...e6-e5 would now be deadly. **39.g6 Qf6+**
[39...fxg6? -0.01/23 39...Qd4-f6+ -2.42 40.Qxe6+ Kh7 41.Qd7+ Kh6 42.Qxb5=]
[Inferior is 39...fxg6 40.Qxe6+ Kh7 41.Qe4 Qf6+ 42.Ke3=]
40.Ke3 Qxg6
[Less strong is 40...fxg6? -0.23/23 40...Qf6xg6 -3.04 41.a4∓]
[Weaker is 40...fxg6 41.a4∓]
41.Qc3? -4.65/27
[41.a3 -2.56/23]
[41.Ne1 -2.69/24 was called for.]
41...Qg5+-+ 42.Ke2 Qd5 Prevents Qc3-d4. Weighted Error Value: White=0.31/Black=0.11 (very precise). Prevents Qc3-c6. Weighted Error Value: White=0.32/Black=0.09 (flawless)
0-1

D56

□ **Levenfish,Grigory**
■ **Lasker,Emanuel**
Moscow (12) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D56: Queen's Gambit Declined: Lasker Defence **1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Be7 5.e3 0-0 6.Nf3 h6 7.Bh4 Ne4 8.Bxe7 Qxe7 9.Qc2 Nxc3 10.Qxc3 c6 11.Bd3 Nd7 12.0-0 Rd8** 0.85/21

[12...dxc4= 0.14/20 remains equal.

A) 13.Bxc4 Rd8= *(13...b6 14.e4 Bb7 15.Rfe1 c5 16.d5 exd5 17.exd5 Qf6 18.Qe3 Qxb2 19.Qe7 Rad8 20.d6 Bxf3 21.Bxf7+ Kh8 22.gxf3 Ne5 23.Bh5 Nd3 24.Rf1 Qd4 25.Rad1 Qxd6 26.Qxa7 Qe5 27.Bg4 h5 28.Bd7* 0-1 Dobrikov,M (2256)-Lenderman,A (2572) Titled Tuesday intern op 21st Feb Early Chess.com INT blitz 2023 (2) *)*;

B) 13.Qxc4 e5]

[12...Re8 13.cxd5 exd5 14.b4 Qd6 15.a4 b6 16.Rfc1 Bb7 17.a5 Rab8 18.axb6 axb6 19.Ra7 b5 20.Nd2 Nb6 21.Nb3 Nc4 22.Nc5 Bc8 23.Rca1 Qf6 24.Rc7 Bg4 25.Bxc4 dxc4 26.Ra6 Rbc8 27.Raxc6 1-0 Lautier,J (2570)-Spassky,B (2560) It "Immopar" Paris (France) 1990]

13.Rac1N 0.24/21

[13.c5± 0.85/21]

[13.Rfd1 Nf6 14.Rac1 Bd7 15.b4 D 56/01 2003]

13...Nf8 0.78/20

[13...dxc4= 0.24/21 keeps the balance. 14.Qxc4 *(14.Bxc4 b6=)* 14...e5]

14.Ne5 Bd7 15.f4 White is slightly better. **15...f6 16.Nf3 dxc4 17.Bxc4 Be8 18.Rf2 Bf7 19.Bb3 Rac8 20.Qa5 b6 21.Qa6 Rc7 22.Rfc2 Rdc8 23.Rc3 c5 24.Qa3** 0.30/21 White is much more active.

[24.dxc5± 0.69/21 bxc5 25.Nd2]

24...g5 25.dxc5 bxc5 0.81/21

[25...Rxc5± 0.37/21 should be considered. 26.fxg5 hxg5]

26.Bc4 Rb8 27.b3 Nd7 28.Be2 e5 1.10/20

[Better is 28...gxf4 0.72/21 29.exf4 Qd6]

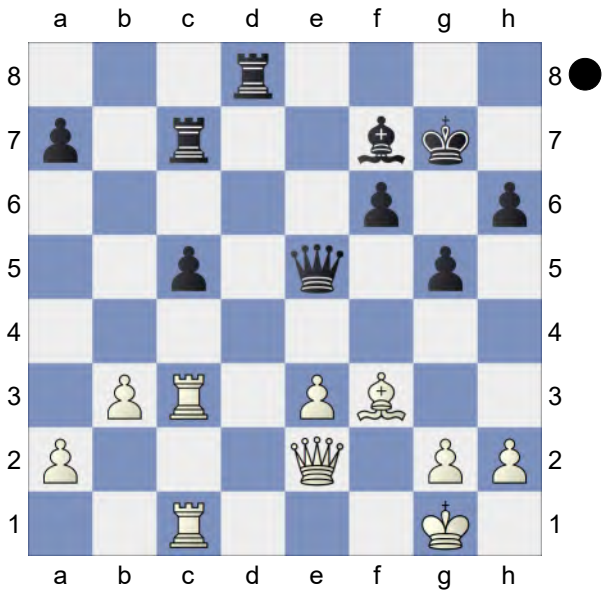
29.fxe5 0.22/21

[29.Qa5± 1.10/20 Rbb7 30.Bb5]

29...Nxe5= 30.Nxe5 Qxe5 31.Qa6 -0.52/23

[White should play 31.Qa5= -0.01/21]

31...Kg7 32.Bf3 Rd8 33.Qe2



Against Rd2 **33...h5** -0.01/22 **34.Qf2** -0.65/22

[34.Bxh5= -0.01/22 Bxh5 *(34...Rh8 35.Bxf7 Qxh2+ 36.Kf1=)* 35.Qxh5]

34...g4∓ 35.Be2 Rd2 36.R3c2 Rcd7 aiming for ...Rxc2. **37.Qf4 Qxf4** -0.18/19

[37...Bg6∓ -0.71/22 38.Qxe5 fxe5 39.Rxd2 Rxd2]

38.exf4= The position is equal. **38...Bg6 39.Rxd2 Rxd2 40.Kf1 Rxa2**

Threatening ...Bc2. **41.Rxc5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.20 (precise) / Black=0.19 (very precise)
½-½

D94

□ **Capablanca,Jose Raul**
■ **Lilienthal,Andor**
Moscow (12) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

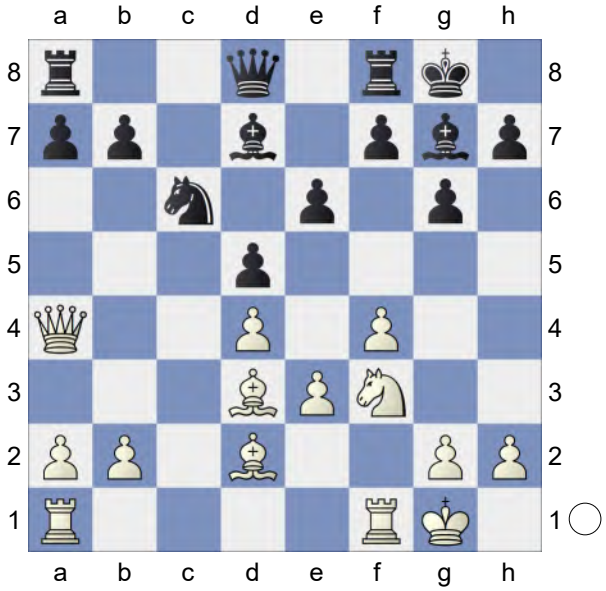
D94: Grünfeld: 4 Nf3 Bg7 5 e3 Postny, E: 'This is the game from the last round of the European championship. Both of us needed only a win in order to qualify for the World Cup. In such case it's always a question which strategy a player should adopt, especially when he has the black pieces. Alexander Moiseenko is a very strong grandmaster with an ambitious playing style. I was hoping that he might take risks and that this would offer me counterchances as well. The game, however, followed a different course. It seems that Alexander was also very tired after an exhausting event and tried to achieve a position where he could press for a win without any serious risk.' **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.e3 g6 5.Nc3 Bg7 6.Bd3**

[6.Be2 0-0 7.0-0 Be6 8.b3 Ne4 9.Bb2 Nd7 10.Rc1 Ndf6 11.Na4 Rc8 12.Ne5 Nd7 13.Nd3 Bf5 14.g4 Be6 15.Nf4 Bh6 16.f3 Nef6 17.h4 Bxf4 18.exf4 dxc4 19.bxc4 b5 20.d5 cxd5 1-0 Lazavik,D (2560)-Abdusattorov,N (2725) Julius Baer Rapid Div 1 L chess.com INT 2023 (3.1)]

6...0-0 7.0-0 Nbd7N

[7...a6 8.Qc2 Bg4 9.Ne5 Be6 10.c5 Nbd7 11.Nxd7 Qxd7 12.Bd2 Bf5 13.Bxf5 Qxf5 14.Qxf5 gxf5 15.Ne2 a5 16.f3 Nd7 17.Rac1 a4 18.Bb4 Rfe8 19.Kf2 e6 20.h3 Bf8 21.Nf4 b6 22.Nd3 ½-½ Moiseenko,A (2712)-Postny,E (2635) EU-ch 15th Yerevan 2014 (11) bxc5 23.Bxc5 Bxc5 24.Nxc5 Nxc5 25.Rxc5 Reb8 26.Rc2 Rb4 27.Kg3 Kg7 28.a3 Rb3 29.Kf4 h5 30.Rff2 Ra6 31.g4 hxg4 32.hxg4 fxg4 33.fxg4 f6 34.Rh2 Rab6 35.Rcg2 Kf7 36.g5 fxg5+ 37.Rxg5 ½-½ Chigogidze,K (2712)-Rognon,R (2635) Olympiad-20 Preliminaries A Skopje 1972 (11)]

8.cxd5 cxd5 9.Qb3 Nb8 10.Ne5 Nc6 11.f4 e6 12.Bd2 Nd7 13.Nf3 White has more active pieces. The black rooks are passive. **13...Nb6** White is slightly better. **14.Na4 Nxa4 15.Qxa4 Bd7**

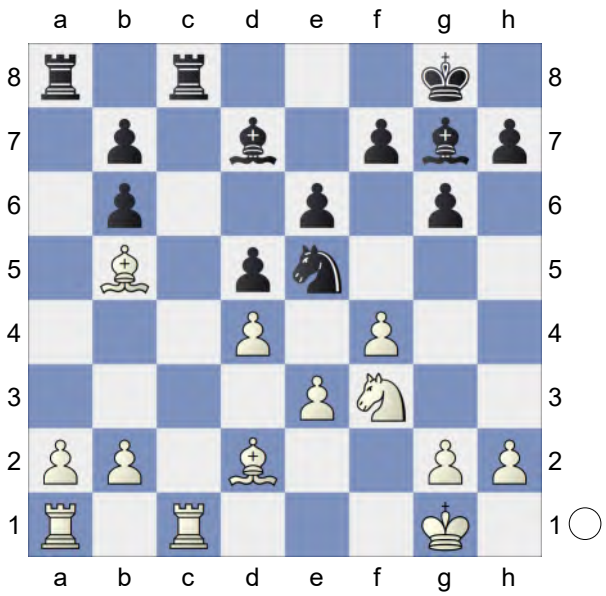


Threatens to win with ...Nxd4! **16.Qb3 Qb6** 0.54/20

[16...a5= 0.15/18 was preferrable.]

17.Qxb6± axb6 18.Rfc1 Rfc8 19.Bb5 Ne5

(Diagram)



Discovered Attack **20.Bxd7 Nxd7** The position is equal. **21.a4 Nf6 22.Rxc8+ Rxc8 23.Rc1** Inhibits Rc2. **23...Rxc1+ 24.Bxc1 Ne4 25.Nd2 Nxd2 26.Bxd2 Kf8 27.Kf2 Ke8 28.Bb4 Kd7** Weighted Error Value: White=0.11 (very precise) /Black=0.05 (flawless)
½-½

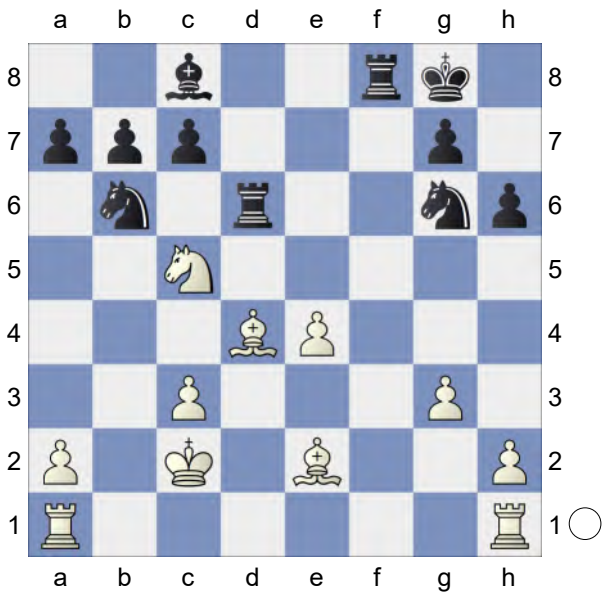
A28

□ **Botvinnik,Mikhail**
■ **Pirc,Vasja**
Moscow (12) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A28: English Opening: Four Knights Variation Quite convincing indeed! I was certainly impressed and ready to try the idea myself. And the occasion came in the Reg Gillman Memorial against Fide GM Colin Mac Nab **1.c4 e5 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.Nf3 Nc6 4.d4N**
[4.a3 g6 5.g3 Bg7 *(5...d5 6.cxd5 Nxd5 7.Bg2 Bg7 8.0-0 Nxc3 9.dxc3 0-0 10.Bg5 Qxd1 11.Rfxd1 h6 12.Be3 a5 13.Bc5 Re8 14.e4 a4 15.Bf1 Bg4 16.Kg2 Na5 17.Be3 c6 18.h3 Be6 19.Bb6 Nc4 20.Bxc4* ½-½ Locci,D-Romanishin,O Bratto op 2009 (1) *)* 6.Bg2 0-0 7.0-0 d5 8.cxd5 Nxd5 9.Nxe5 Nxc3 10.Nxc6 Nxe2+ 11.Qxe2 bxc6
A) 12.Bxc6 Rb8 13.d3 Bh3 *(13...Be6 14.Re1 Bd4 15.Rb1 Ba2 16.Ra1* ½-½ Mcnab,C-Geenen,M Reg Gillman Memorial A corr 1999 *)* 14.Re1 Rb6 15.Qc2 Be6 16.Be4 Qd7 17.Qc5 Bd4 18.Qa5 Rb5 19.Qa6 Rb6 20.Qa5 Rb5 21.Qa6 Rb6 22.Qa5 ½-½ Ruck,R (2550)-Romanishin,O (2561) 11th GM Lippstadt GER 2003 (3);
B) 12.d3 Rb8 13.Rb1 Bf5 14.Rd1 c5 15.Be3 Bd4 16.Be4 Be6 17.Rd2 Bb3 18.Rc1 Re8 0-1 Marchal,N-Kuzmin,A 17th European Individual Championship 2016]
4...exd4 5.Nxd4 Bb4 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Bxc3+ 8.bxc3 d6 9.f3 0-0 10.e4 Ne5 11.Be2 The position is equal. **11...Ng6 12.Bf2 Nd7 13.Qd2 Nb6 14.Nb3 Be6 15.c5 dxc5** 0.37/22
[15...Nc4= -0.05/20 16.Qc1 Qd7]
16.Nxc5± Qxd2+ 17.Kxd2 Rad8+ 18.Bd4 Bc8 19.g3 0.14/19 Prevents Nf4
[19.Rhd1± 0.59/18]
19...f5 20.Kc2 fxe4 21.fxe4 Rd6 1.21/19
[21...Rde8± 0.38/21]

(Diagram)

22.Rae1 0.44/20 White is more active.
[22.a4!± 1.21/19]
22...Re8 23.Rhf1 -0.01/22
[23.Bh5± 0.62/21 Nc4 24.Nd3]



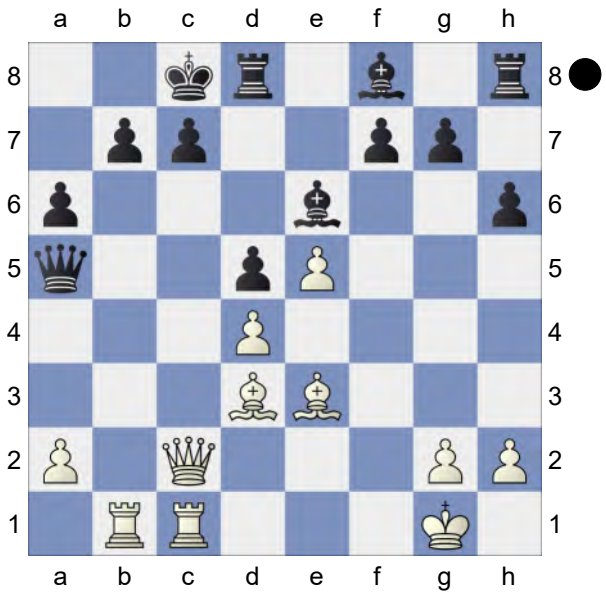
23...Ne5= 24.Bh5 A strong pair of Bishops. **24...g6 25.Be2 Nbd7** 0.36/21
[25...Nbc4= -0.04/22 is superior.]
26.Nb3 -0.29/19
[White should try 26.Bb5± 0.36/21]
26...b6 27.Nd2 c5 28.Nc4 Rde6 29.Bxe5 Nxe5 30.Ne3 Bb7 -1.26/21
[30...Bd7∓ -0.59/21]
31.Nd5∓ Rf8 Weighted Error Value: White=0.16 (very precise) /Black=0.11 (very precise)
½-½

C29

□ **Kan,Ilia Abramovich**
■ **Botvinnik,Mikhail**
Moscow (13) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

C29: Vienna Game: 2...Nf6 3 f4 **1.e4 e5 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.f4 d5 4.fxe5 Nxe4 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Qe2** -0.76/19
[6.Bb5!= 0.15/17 keeps the balance.]
6...Bf5∓ 7.Qb5 -1.59/21
[White should try 7.d3 -0.86/18 Nxc3 8.bxc3 d4 9.Bb2 dxc3 10.Bxc3 Bb4 11.Qd2 Bxc3 12.Qxc3 Qd5 13.Be2 0-0 14.0-0 Rad8 15.Rab1 Bg6 16.a4 b6 17.Kh1 Rfe8 18.Rb5 Qd7 19.Rd1 Nd4 20.Nxd4 Qxd4 21.Qxc7 Qxa4 22.Rb2 Rc8 23.Qb7 0-1 Necesany,Z (2225)-10.a3! . . . 15. ♕ b2 (2438) 3rd Chess 2015 Stavanger (4)]
7...Nc5 -1.15/21
[⌓7...a6 -1.59/21 8.Qxb7 *(8.Qxd5 Nb4 9.Qxd8+ Rxd8 10.Bd3 Nxd3+ 11.cxd3 Rxd3 12.Nh4 Nxc3 13.Nxf5 Nb5 14.b3 g6 15.Ne3 Bg7 16.Bb2 0-0 17.0-0-0 Rfd8 18.Rhe1 Bh6 19.Nc4 Nc3 20.Bxc3 Rxc3+ 21.Kb1 Rcd3 22.e6 fxe6 ½-½* 4.Nf3 Bg7 5. Bg5 (2350)-Miles,E (2620) 82/483 Panormos 2001*)* 8...Nb4 9.Nxd5 Qxd5 10.Qxd5 Nxd5]
8.d4 a6 Black is better. **9.Qe2 Ne4N** -0.53/19
[9...Ne6∓ -1.08/19 10.Be3 Nb4 11.Rc1 c5 12.Qf2 Rc8 13.a3 Nc6 14.Rd1 cxd4 15.Nxd4 Ncxd4 16.Bxd4 Nxd4 17.Qxd4 Bxc2 18.Rd2 Bb3 19.Nxd5 Rc1+ 20.Ke2 Qc8 21.Kf3 Rc5 22.Qe4 Qc6 23.Ne3 Qc7 24.Nd5 Qa5 25.Nc3 Be7 0-1 7.Rc1 c6 8.Qc2 Re8-Rashkovski Saint Petersburg (open) 105/251 2009 (6)]
10.Qe3∓ Nxc3 11.bxc3 Bxc2 12.Qf2 Bf5 13.Nh4 Be6 14.Bd3 Qd7 15.0-0 Na5 16.Nf5 0-0-0 17.Qe2 Qc6 18.Rb1 h6 19.Bd2 Nc4 20.Ne3 Nxe3 0.38/20
[20...Be7∓ -0.43/19]
21.Bxe3± Qxc3? 3.39/24 This costs Black the game.
[21...Be7= 0.24/20]
22.Rfc1+- Qa5 4.20/22
[22...Qa3 2.93/23 might work better. 23.Qc2 c6]
23.Qc2
[23.Qb2 Ba3 24.Qxb7+ Kd7

25.Qc6+ *(25.Qxa6? Qxa6 26.Bxa6 Bxc1-+)* 25...Ke7+-]



Bd2 would now be deadly. **23...c6** 5.64/22

[⌓23...Rd7 3.67/20 24.Bd2 Qa3 25.Rxb7 Qxc1+ *(25...Kxb7 26.Qc6+ Kb8 27.Rb1+)* 26.Bxc1 *(26.Qxc1 Kxb7 27.Qb1+ Ka7+-)* 26...Kxb7]

24.Bd2 White is clearly winning.

24...Qc7 8.45/22

[⌓24...Qa3 5.05/20 25.Rb6 Rd7 26.Rxa6 *(26.Bxa6 c5+-)* 26...Kb8 *(26...bxa6?* is the wrong capture. *27.Qxc6+ Kd8 28.Qb6+ Ke7 29.Bb4++-)* 27.Rxa3 Bxa3]

25.Qa4 Rd7

(Diagram)

26.Bxa6! Weighted Error Value: White=0.29 (precise) /Black=0.62

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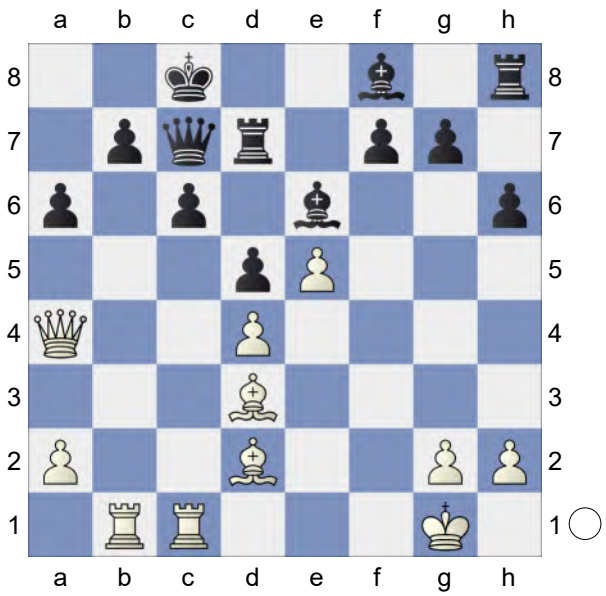


D78

□ **Rabinovich,Ilya Leontievich**
■ **Spielmann,Rudolf**
Moscow (13) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D78: Fianchetto Grünfeld: 6 0-0 c6 **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.g3 c6 4.Bg2 d5 5.b3 Bg7 6.Nf3 0-0 7.0-0 Nbd7N**

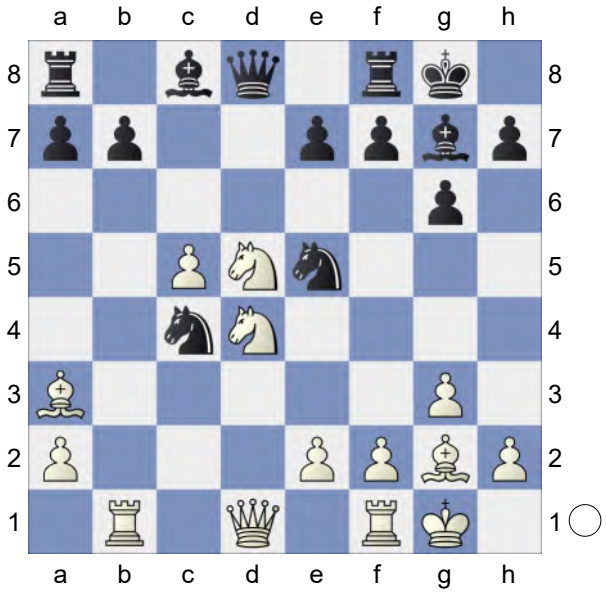
[7...a5 8.Nc3 Ne4 9.Bb2 Nxc3 10.Bxc3

A) 10...b5 11.Rc1 Nd7 12.cxd5 cxd5 13.Bd2 Bb7 14.Bf4 Qb6 15.Rc7 Bc6 16.Qc2 Rfc8 17.Rc1 Rxc7 18.Bxc7 Qxc7 19.Qxc6 Qxc6 20.Rxc6 Ra7 21.e3 b4 22.Bf1 Bf6 23.Bb5 Kg7 24.Rc8 Nf8 25.Ne1 ½-½ 3.e5 ♗f5 4.♘e2 e6 (2580)-8. ♘e2 ♘c6 9.0-0 b6_79013 (2670) 32/119 Esbjerg 32/119 1981;

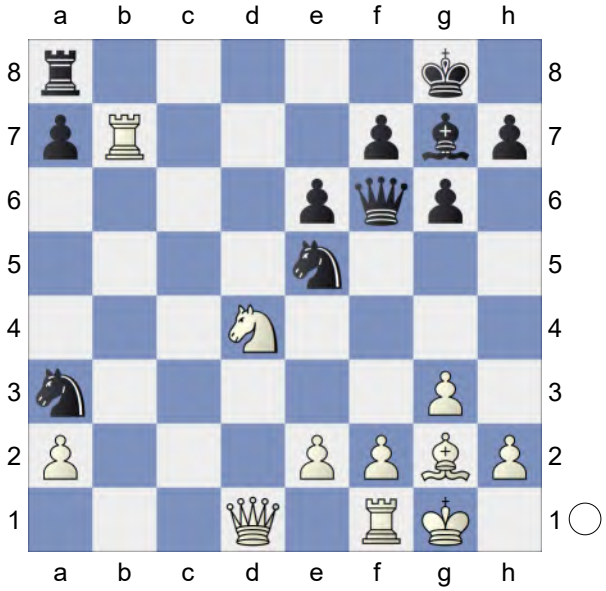
B) 10...Nd7 11.Rc1 a4 *(11...Nf6 12.Ne5 Be6 13.Qc2 Qb6 14.Rfd1 Rfd8 15.e3 Bf5 16.Qe2 a4 17.b4 dxc4 18.Nxc4 Qa6 19.Bf1 Be6 20.Be1 Bxc4 21.Rxc4* 2

De Vuyst,J-3. ♘f3 ♘d7 4.g3_31998 Chapter 11 Part 2 Game) 12.Nd2 axb3 13.axb3 Nf6 14.Ra1 Bf5 g3 vs. the Grünfeld-B3,B 2008;
C) 10...Bf5 11.e3 Nd7 12.Qe2 Nf6 *(12...Be4 13.Rfc1 e6 14.Bf1 Bxf3 15.Qxf3 f5 16.cxd5 exd5 17.b4 axb4 18.Bxb4 Rf7 19.a4 Nb8 20.a5 Na6 21.Bd2 Bf8 22.Rab1 Ra7 23.Bd3 Ba3 24.Rc2 Qf8 25.Rb6* 4 De Vuyst,J-3.♘f3 ♘d7 4.g3_31998 Chapter 12 Part 1 Game *)* 13.Rfc1 Be4 14.Bf1 Bxf3 15.Qxf3 e6 16.Bd3 a4 17.b4 dxc4 18.Bxc4 Nd5 19.Be1 Qd7 20.b5 cxb5 21.Bxd5 exd5 22.Rc5 1 De Vuyst,J-3.♘f3 ♘d7 4.g3_31998 Chapter 12 Part 2 Game]

8.Nc3 dxc4 9.bxc4 c5 0.83/18
[9...Qa5= 0.27/19 10.Bd2 Qh5]
10.Rb1± Ne8 11.Nd5 Hoping for dxc5.
11...cxd4 12.Ba3 White is much more active. The black rooks are passive. White is better. **12...Nd6 13.Nxd4 Ne5** 1.39/22
[13...Nb6± 0.59/21]
14.c5 Ndc4

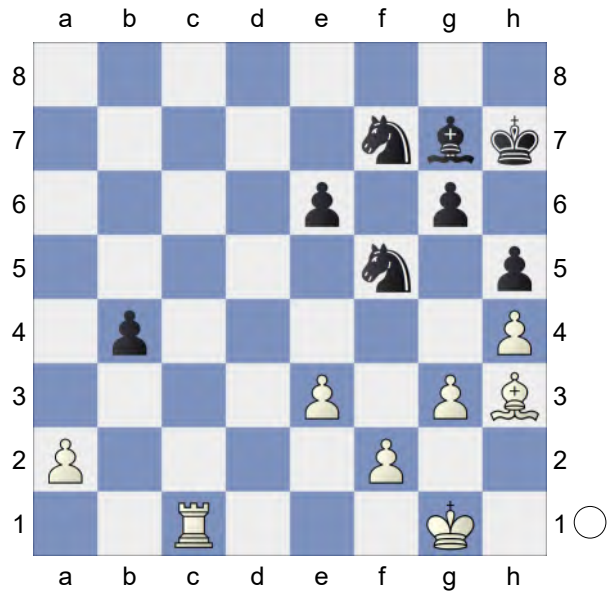


15.c6! Nxa3 16.cxb7 Bxb7 17.Rxb7 e6? 3.92/22
[17...Kh8 1.96/22 18.Nxe7 *(18.Rxe7 Nac4+-)* 18...Nac4]
18.Nc7+-
[18.Ne7+ Kh8 19.Nec6 Qd6 20.Nxe5 *(20.Nxa7 Qa6=)* 20...Qxe5±]
18...Qf6 19.Nxa8 Rxa8

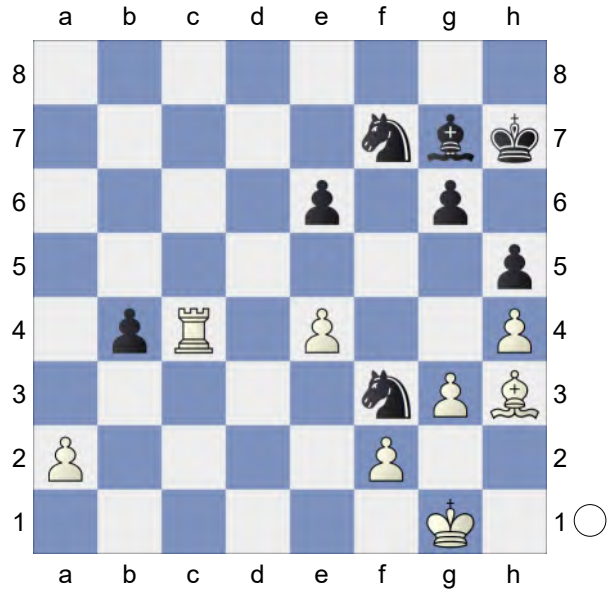


20.Rxf7? 0.98/24 **Nxf7± 21.Bxa8 Qxd4 22.Qb3** Wards off Nb5 **22...Nc4 23.Rd1** White has strong compensation. **23...Qc5 24.Qb8+** 0.42/21
[24.Be4!± 1.12/21]
24...Bf8± 25.Qe8 0.28/22
[25.Rd7± 0.66/23]
25...Qf5= 26.Rd4 0.09/22
[26.Rc1± 0.49/23]
26...Ncd6 Excellent horsemanship. **27.Qb8** Dodges Qb1+ **27...Qe5** 0.29/24
[⌓27...Qc2 -0.16/21]
28.e3 a5 29.Bg2 Qc5 30.Qb3 Bg7 31.Rd1 Qf5 32.h4 h5 33.Qb8+ Kh7 34.Qb1
[34.Rxd6? Be5-+]
[34.Rc1!?]
34...Qg4 35.Rc1 Qb4 1.43/24
[35...Nf5= -0.01/22 remains equal.]

36.Qxb4!± axb4 37.Bh3 0.67/25
[37.Rc6± 1.12/25]
37...Nf5 1.86/23
[37...Nd8± 0.67/25]



38.e4 0.44/24
[White should play 38.Rc6!+- 1.86/23]
38...Nd4± Strongly threatening ...Ne2+.
39.Rc4 Nf3+ 1.48/25
[39...Nd6 40.Rxb4 Nf3+ 41.Kf1+-]
[39...b3= 0.21/23 40.axb3 g5 *(40...Nd6 41.Rb4±)*]



40.Kg2!± aiming for Rxb4! **40...Ne1+** 1.97/25
[40...b3± 1.42/24 was worth a try. 41.axb3 *(41.Kxf3? Ne5+ 42.Kg2 Nxc4-+)* 41...Nd4]
41.Kf1+- Nd3 42.Ke2 1.27/25
[Not 42.Bxe6 Nd6±]
[42.Rc7+- 2.66/24 and White stays clearly on top. Nd6 43.Rd7 *(43.Bxe6 Nxe4 44.Bb3 Kh6±)* 43...Nxf2 Decoy 44.Kxf2 Nxe4+ 45.Kg2]
42...g5? 3.10/24 A mistake that costs the game. **43.Bxe6**
[43.Kxd3 Ne5+ 44.Kd4 Nxc4+ 45.Kxc4 g4=]
43...Nfe5 44.Bf5+ Kh6 45.hxg5+ Remove Defender **45...Kxg5 46.f4+ Nxf4+ 47.gxf4+ Kxf4 48.Rxb4** KRB-KBN **48...Nc6 49.Rb7 Nd4+ 50.Kf1 Nxf5** 5.67/21
[50...Bf6 3.37/19 51.a4 Be5]
51.exf5 White is clearly winning.
51...Be5 52.a4 Threatens to win with Rb5. **52...Kxf5 53.a5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.33/Black=0.48
1-0

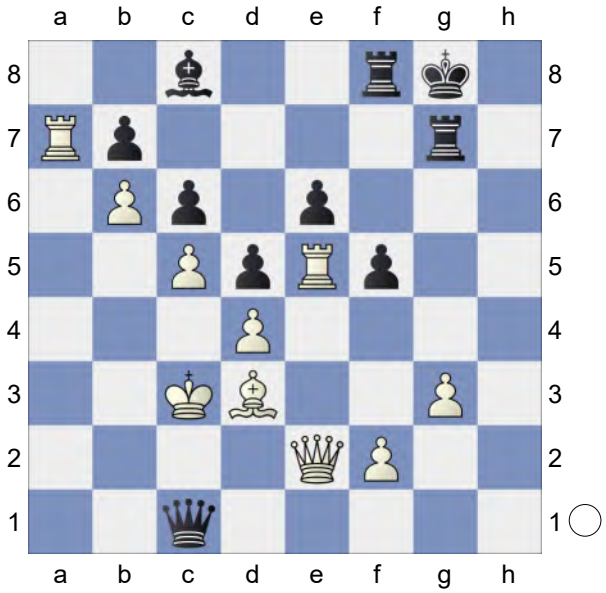
D37

□ **Ragozin,Viacheslav**
■ **Goglidze,Victor Arsentievich**
Moscow (13) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D37: Queen's Gambit Declined: 5 Bf4 Inf 51/(410) **1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Nf3 Be7 5.Bf4 0-0 6.e3 a6 7.c5 c6N**
[7...Nbd7 8.h3 Re8 9.Bd3 Nf8 10.0-0 N6d7 11.Qc2 Ng6 12.Bh2 Bf6 13.b4 Ndf8 14.e4 dxe4 15.Nxe4 Be7 16.Rad1 Bd7 17.a4 Bc6 18.b5 Bd5 19.c6 bxc6 20.bxa6 f5 21.Ned2

Bd6 22.Bxd6 1-0 Neustadt,Y (2168)-Swiderski,R (1507) USSR corr 1965 (9.1)]
[7...Nc6 8.h3 Ne4 9.Bd3 f5 10.Ne2 Bf6 11.Bh2 Bd7 12.a3 Be8 13.b4 Qe7 Horvath,C (2460)-Sokolov,I (2570) Niksic 1991]
[7...Nh5 8.Bd3 Nxf4 9.exf4 Nc6 10.a3 f5 11.h4 Bf6 12.Be2 Bd7 13.b4 Qe7 14.g3 Be8 15.Qd3 Bh5 16.Nd2 Bxe2 17.Nxe2 Chess Informant Eco-N,N Chess Informant ECO D4 Survey 2003]

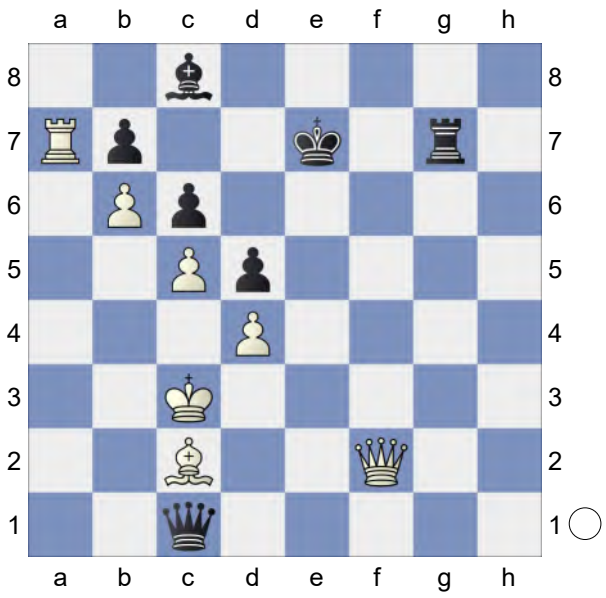
8.Bd3 Nbd7 9.0-0 Nh5 10.Re1 Nxf4 11.exf4 White is slightly better. **11...Bf6** 0.93/19
[Better is 11...b6± 0.40/19]
12.Qc2± g6 13.b4 Bg7 0.95/18
[13...b6± 0.47/20]
14.Rab1 Qc7 15.g3 f6 Against h4 **16.h4** h5 is the strong threat. White has more active pieces. **16...f5** 2.13/22
[16...e5± 1.01/19]
17.Na4+-
[17.Rxe6?! Nxc5 18.Re3 Ne6±]
17...Nf6 18.Ne5 Bd7 19.Nb6 Excellent horsemanship. **19...Rae8 20.a4 Bc8** 2.27/17
[20...Re7 1.81/19 might work better. 21.b5 axb5 22.Nbxd7 *(22.axb5 Be8±)* 22...Nxd7]
21.b5 axb5 22.axb5 Nd7 3.21/20
[⌓22...Ne4 1.99/18 23.Kg2 Qe7 24.bxc6 *(24.f3 Bxe5 25.fxe5 g5+-)* 24...Bxe5 Remove Defender 25.fxe5 bxc6 26.Nxc8 *(26.f3 g5+-)* 26...Rxc8]
23.Nbxd7 Bxd7 24.b6 Qd8 25.Ra1 Bxe5 26.Rxe5
[26.fxe5 g5 27.Ra7 gxh4 28.Rxb7 Re7+-]
26...Bc8 3.17/22 Black is weak on the dark squares
[⌓26...Qf6 2.18/22 27.Ra7 Bc8]
27.Ra7 Qf6 28.Qe2 Re7 29.Kf1 Rg7 30.Ke1 h6 31.Kd2 g5 32.fxg5 hxg5 33.hxg5 Qxg5+ 34.Kc3 Qc1+



35.Bc2! f4 2.26/23
[35...Qg5± 1.56/19 keeps fighting. 36.Kb3 Qh6]
36.Rxe6? -0.01/24
[36.g4+- 2.26/23]
36...fxg3 37.Re8! gxf2! (→ ...Rg3+)
38.Rxf8+ Remove Defender **38...Kxf8**
39.Qxf2+ Ke7 0.88/23
[39...Rf7!= 0.01/25 40.Qg3 Re7]

(Diagram)

40.Qh4+ 0.33/25 Weighted Error Value: White=0.29 (precise) /Black=0.28 (precise)
[White should play 40.Kb3!± 0.88/23 Rg8 41.Ra8]
½-½

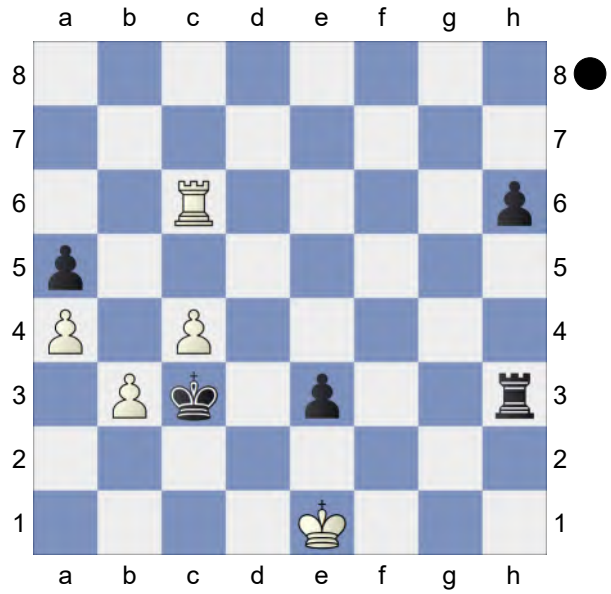


E11

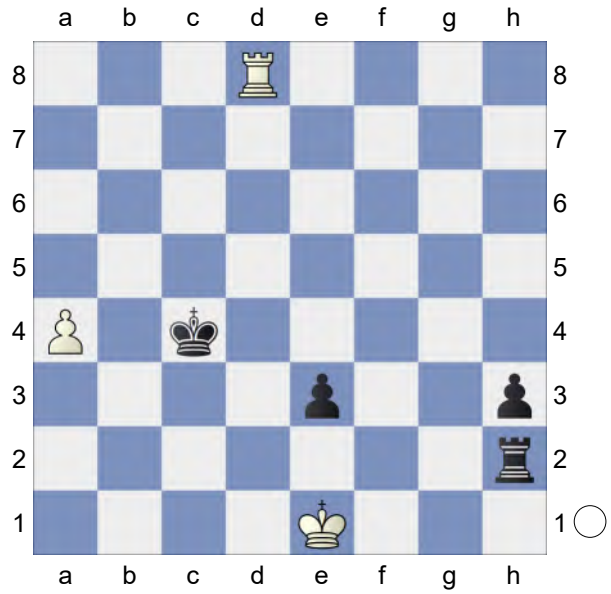
□ **Chekhover,Vitaly**
■ **Romanovsky,Peter Arsenievich**
Moscow (13) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

E11: Bogo-Indian The Biel Grandmaster Event this time had a very unique format. It was a combination of classical, rapid and blitz. On the 1st day in the rapid section I didn't start well by losing to Cori Jorge. Eventually I managed to recovere, but was still trailing by 2 points. Hence, this game was extremely important to me from the tournament and personal point of view! **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 Bb4+ 4.Bd2 Qe7 5.g3 Nc6 6.Bg2 0-0 7.0-0 Bxd2 8.Qxd2 d6 9.Nc3 e5 10.Nd5 Qd8 11.dxe5N**
[11.Rfd1 Re8 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 Rxe5 14.Rac1 Bg4 15.Re1 Re8 16.Rc3 Rb8 17.e4 Nd7 18.f4 Be6 19.b3 a5 20.Rce3 Ra8 21.Qd4 Rb8 22.Nc3 f6 23.Nb5 Ra8 24.Qd2 Qc8 25.Nd4 Bf7 1-0 Vidit,S (2703)-Cori,J (2686) Biel 52nd 2019 (1)]
[11.Rad1 Re8 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 dxe5 14.Qa5 Nxd5 15.cxd5 Qd6 16.Rc1 Re7 17.Rc3 b6 18.Qa3 Bb7 19.e4 Qd8 20.Bh3 a5 21.Rfc1 E 11/27 Chess Informant ECO E4 Survey 2008]
11...Nxe5 12.Nxe5 dxe5 13.Qg5 0.17/22
[13.Qb4± 0.57/18 should be considered.]
13...c6!= 14.Nxf6+ The position is equal. **14...Qxf6 15.Qxf6 gxf6 16.Rfd1 Be6 17.b3 Rfd8 18.Kf1 Kf8 19.Ke1 Ke7 20.Rxd8 Kxd8** Endgame. KRB-KRB **21.Rd1+ Kc7 22.Rd3 a5 23.a4 Rg8 24.Kd2 Kb6 25.Kc3 Kc5 26.Re3 h6 27.Be4 Bg4** Dodges Rf3 **28.Bc2 Rd8 29.f4** -0.54/26
[29.f3= 0.16/26 Bh5 30.Rd3]
29...Re8∓ 30.Bd3 Re6 31.fxe5? -2.25/27
[31.Re4∓ -0.38/25]
31...fxe5-+
[31...Rxe5 32.Rxe5+ fxe5 33.e3=]
32.Bc2 f5 33.Rd3 Bxe2 34.Rd7 e4 35.Kd2 Bg4 36.Rxb7 e3+ 37.Ke1 Rd6
[37...Kd4 38.Rf7∓]
38.h3 Bxh3 39.Re7 Kd4 40.Rf7 Rg6 41.Bxf5 Bxf5
[41...Rxg3 42.Rd7+ Kc3 43.Bxh3 Rxh3 44.Rd6∓]
42.Rxf5 KR-KR **42...Kd3**
[42...Rxg3 43.Rf6 Rg1+ 44.Ke2 Rg2+ 45.Kd1-+]
43.Rf8 Rxg3 44.Rd8+ Kc3 45.Rd6 Rh3 -0.53/25
[Not 45...Kxb3 46.Rxc6 Kxa4 47.Ke2-+]
[Better is 45...c5-+ -3.18/24 46.Rc6 h5 *(46...Kxb3? 47.Rxc5 Kxa4 48.Re5-+)* 47.Rxc5 h4 *(47...Kxb3 48.Rxh5 Kxa4 49.Ke2=)*]

46.Rxc6∓



Kxb3 -0.34/24
[46...Rh2!∓ -0.96/23 47.Rb6 h5]
47.Ke2! h5 48.Rb6+? -3.59/26
[48.Rc5!∓ -0.51/24]
48...Kxc4-+ aiming for ...Kc3.
[Weaker is 48...Kxa4 49.Rb1∓]
49.Rb5? -5.76/27
[49.Rb8 -3.24/31]
49...Kd4 Black is clearly winning.
50.Rxa5 Rh2+ 51.Ke1 h4 52.Ra8 h3 53.Rd8+ Kc4



Threatens to win with ...Rg2. **54.Rc8+ Kb4** Strongly threatening ...Ra2! **55.Rh8 Rh1+ 56.Ke2 h2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.60/Black=0.20 (precise)
[And not 56...Kxa4 57.Kxe3 h2 58.Kf3=]
0-1

D62

□ **Flohr,Salo**
■ **Capablanca,Jose Raul**
Moscow (13) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D62: Queen's Gambit Declined: Classical: 7 Qc2 c5 8 cxd5 **1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Nf3 Nbd7N**
[4...dxc4 5.e4 Bb4 6.e5 Nd5 7.Bd2 Nb6 8.Ne4 a5 9.Qc2 Nc6 10.a3 Bxd2+ 11.Qxd2 0-0 12.Be2 Ne7 13.Qc2 Nf5 14.Rd1 Bd7 15.Rd2 Ba4 16.Qb1 Bc6 17.0-0 Qe7 18.Rc1 Bd5 19.Nc3 0-1 5.♕b3 c5 6.a3 (2473)-Condie,A (2480) USSR 24/455 1977 (8)]
[4...a6 5.e3 dxc4 6.Bxc4 b5 7.Bb3 Bb7 8.0-0 Nbd7 9.Qe2 c5 10.Rd1 Qb6 11.h3 Be7 12.e4 cxd4 13.Nxd4 Nc5 14.e5 Nfd7 15.Bc2 b4 16.Na4 Qa5 17.Nxc5 Nxc5 18.Qg4 g6 19.Bh6 ½-½ Bacrot,E (2714)-Istratescu,A (2589) FRA-chT Top 12 Brest 2018 (7)]
[4...Be7 5.Bg5 h6 6.Bxf6 Bxf6 7.e3 0-0 8.Rc1 c6 9.h4 Re8 10.g4 e5 11.g5 exd4 12.Nxd4 hxg5 13.hxg5 Bxd4 14.Qxd4 Qxg5 15.cxd5 Bf5 16.Be2 cxd5 17.Rh5 Qg1+ 18.Kd2 Qxf2 19.Rch1 1-0 Model Games-Ivanisevic,I Lifetime Repertoires: Plichta's Queen's 2023]
[4...Bd6 5.Bg5 c6 6.e3 0-0 7.Rc1 dxc4 8.Bxc4 Nbd7 9.Bd3 Be7

10.0-0 b6 11.Qc2 Bb7 12.Ne5 g6 13.Bh6 Re8 14.Rfd1 Nxe5 15.dxe5 Nd5 16.Nxd5 exd5 17.e6 f5 18.Bxf5 gxf5 19.Qxf5 1-0 Capablanca,J-Anon Lessons from Capablanca (2): attacking New York 1916]

[4...c5 5.cxd5 exd5 6.g3 Be7 7.Bg2 0-0 8.0-0 h6 9.dxc5 Bxc5 10.a3 a6 11.b4 Ba7 12.Bb2 Be6 13.Rc1 Nc6 14.Na4 Qe7 15.Nd4 Rac8 16.Nc5 a5 17.Ndxe6 fxe6 18.Bh3 Nd8 19.Nd3 1-0 Van Hoolandt,P (2037)-Leardini,M (1587) EU Small Countries ol 8th St Helier 2023 (2.4)]

5.Bg5 Be7 6.e3 0-0 7.Qc2 c5 8.cxd5 Nxd5 9.Bxe7 Qxe7 10.Nxd5 exd5 11.Bd3 cxd4 12.Nxd4

[Weaker is 12.Bxh7+ Kh8 13.0-0 *(13.Nxd4 Qb4+ 14.Kd1 g6∓)* 13...g6 *(13...dxe3 14.Bd3=)* 14.Bxg6 fxg6 15.Qxg6 dxe3∓]

12...Qb4+ 13.Qd2 Nc5 White is slightly better. **14.Bb5**

[14.Qxb4? too greedy. Nxd3+ 15.Kd2 Nxb4-+]

[Wrong is 14.Bxh7+? Kxh7 15.Qxb4 Nd3+ 16.Kd2 Nxb4-+]

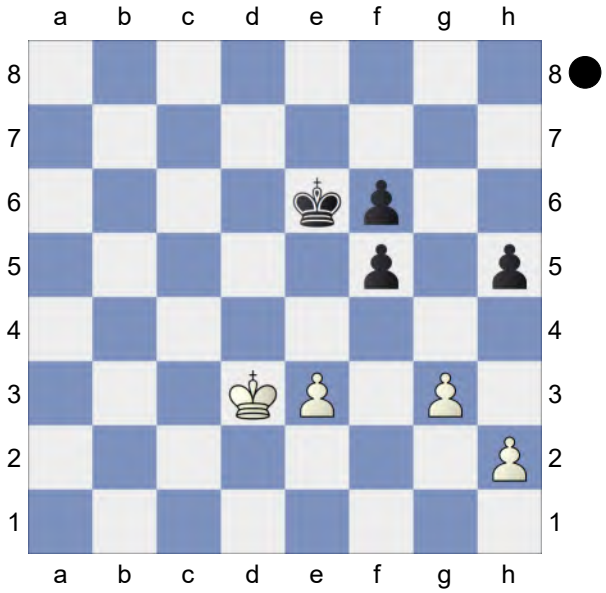
14...Qxd2+ 15.Kxd2 a6 16.Bd3 Be6 17.Rac1 Rfc8 18.Rc2 0.36/22 White has more active pieces.

[18.f3± 0.77/21]

18...Nxd3± 19.Kxd3 Rxc2 20.Kxc2 Endgame. KRB-KRN **20...Kf8 21.Kd2 Rc8 22.Rc1 Rxc1 23.Kxc1** KB-KN **23...Ke7 24.Kd2 Kd6 25.Kc3 b6 26.f4 Bd7 27.Nf3 f6 28.Kd4 a5 29.Nd2 Bc8 30.Nb1 Be6 31.Nc3 Kc6 32.a3 h6 33.g3 h5 34.b4 axb4 35.axb4 Kd6 36.b5** 0.01/30

[36.f5± 0.41/27 might be stronger. Bxf5 37.Nxd5]

36...g6!= The position is equal. **37.Na4 Kc7 38.Nc3 Kd6 39.f5 gxf5 40.Ne2 Bd7 41.Nf4 Be8 42.Nxd5 Bxb5 43.Nxb6 Bc6** Wards off Nd5 **44.Nc4+ Ke6 45.Nb2 Bb5 46.Nd1 Be2 47.Nf2 Bf1 48.Nd3 Bxd3 49.Kxd3**



aiming for Ke2. **49...Ke5 50.Ke2** Black must now prevent Kf3.

[50.Kd2!? h4□ 51.gxh4=]

50...Ke4 51.h3 Kd5 52.Kf3 Intending Kf4 and mate. **52...Ke5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.06 (flawless) /Black=0.03 (flawless)

½-½

C15

□ **Lasker,Emanuel**
■ **Riumin,Nikolay Nikolaevich**
Moscow (13) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

C15: French: 3 Nc3 Bb4: Unusual White 4th moves **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Nge2 dxe4 5.a3 Be7 6.Nxe4 Nf6 7.N2g3 Nc6 8.c3 e5 9.dxe5N** -0.01/20

[9.Nxf6+± 0.46/21 should be considered. Bxf6 10.d5 Ne7 11.c4 *(11.Bc4 Nf5 12.Nxf5 Bxf5 13.Bb5+*

Bd7 14.Qb3 C 15/10 2000) 11...0-0 12.Bd3 g6 13.Bh6 Bg7 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Qe2 Re8 16.0-0-0 Nf5 17.Bxf5 gxf5 18.f4 exf4 19.Nh5+ Kh6 20.Qf3 Re3 21.Qxf4+ Qg5 22.Qxg5+ Kxg5 23.Ng3 f4 24.Nf1 Re2 25.Nd2 0-1 Falkbeer Gegengambit-4.... ♘c6 EU/M/425 corr ICCF 1980]

9...Qxd1+= 10.Kxd1 Nxe4 11.Nxe4 The position is equal. **11...Nxe5 12.Bf4 f6 13.Bxe5 fxe5 14.Bd3 Bf5 15.Ke2** -0.13/18

[15.Nf6+± 0.34/20 was preferrable. Bxf6 16.Bxf5]

15...Rd8 0.33/20

[15...Be6= -0.13/18]

16.Rhd1 Bxe4 0.49/19

[16...Be6= 0.06/19]

17.Bxe4± c6 18.Rxd8+ Kxd8 Endgame. KRB-KRB **19.Rd1+ Kc7 20.Bf5 Bd6 21.Rd3 g6 22.Be4 Rf8 23.g3 Bc5 24.Rf3 Kd7**

[Don't go for 24...Bxa3? 25.bxa3 Rd8 26.Rf7+ Rd7 27.Rxd7+ Kxd7 28.Kf3+-]

25.h4 Ke6

[Don't blunder 25...Bxa3? 26.bxa3 Re8 27.h5+-]

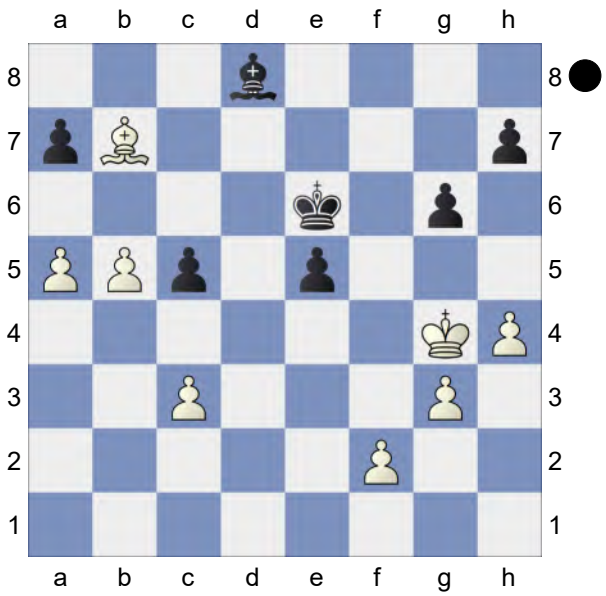
26.b4 Rxf3 27.Kxf3= KB-KB **27...Be7 28.a4 Kd6 29.Kg4 Ke6 30.a5 c5 31.b5 Bd8 32.Bxb7**

(Diagram)

And now b6! would win. **32...Bxa5 33.c4 Kf6 34.Kf3 Be1 35.g4 h6 36.Bc8 Ke7 37.Ke3 a5?** 13.92/27 Weighted Error Value: White=0.09 (flawless) / Black=0.07 (flawless) . An unexpected result.

[37...Kf6± 0.32/26]

½-½



B14

□ **Bohatirchuk,Fedor Parfenovich**
■ **Levenfish,Grigory**
Moscow (13) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

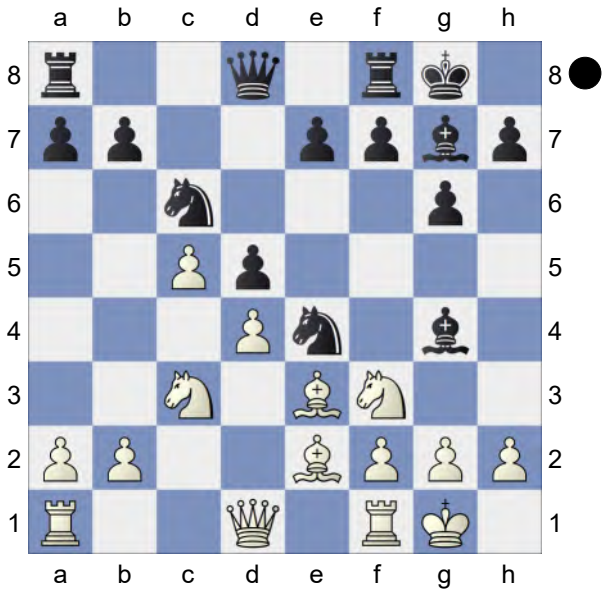
D94: Grünfeld: 4 Nf3 Bg7 5 e3 **1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.c4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6 6.Nf3N**

[6.cxd5 Nxd5 7.Qb3 Nxc3 8.Bc4 e6 9.bxc3 Nc6 10.Nf3 Bg7 11.Ba3 Bf8 12.Bxf8 Kxf8 13.0-0 Kg7 14.Bb5 Bd7 15.Qb2 Na5 16.c4 Bxb5 17.d5+ Qf6 18.Qxb5 b6 Onoprienko, V (2450)-Kreindl,H (2395) 33/260 Wijk aan Zee 1982]

[6.Qb3 e6 7.cxd5 Nxd5 8.Nf3 Nc6 9.Bg5 f6 10.Bd2 Bg7 11.Bd3 0-0 12.0-0 Nce7 13.Rfe1 b6 14.Re2 Kh8 15.Rae1 a6 16.h4 Ra7 17.Bb1 Rc7 18.Nxd5 Nxd5 19.h5 gxh5 20.Qd3 f5 ½-½ Govashelishvili,G (2719)-11... ♕c7 12. ♘bd2 cd4 13.c,4 (2803) B) 8... ♖b8 (6) 21.Ng5 Nf6 22.Qg3 Ng4 23.Bf4 Rc4 24.Nf3 Bb7 25.Bg5 Bf6 26.Bxf6+ Rxf6 27.Ng5

Bd5 28.f3 Qg8 29.Nxe6 Bxe6 30.fxg4 Qxg4 31.Qe5 Kg7 32.Rd2 Bf7 33.Rf1 f4 34.d5 Rc8 35.Rdf2 Re8 ½-½ Levin,L-Janoszka,A Concordia Hamburgo 1977]

6...Bg7 7.c5 Nc6 8.Bb5 0-0 9.0-0 Bg4 10.Be3 Ne4 11.Be2



Nxc5 0.45/21 **12.dxc5± Bxf3**

[12...d4? 13.Nxd4 Bxd4 14.Bxd4+- *(14.Bxg4 Bxe3 15.fxe3 Qa5+-)*]

13.Bxf3 d4 White is slightly better.

14.Na4? -1.38/19

[14.Bxc6 bxc6 15.Qf3 dxe3 *(15...dxc3 16.Rad1∓)* 16.Qxe3 Bd4∓]

[14.Qb3!± 0.51/19 stays ahead. dxc3 *(14...dxe3 15.Qxb7 exf2+ 16.Kh1±)* 15.bxc3 *(15.Qxb7 cxb2 16.Rab1 Na5∓)*]

14...dxe3∓ 15.fxe3 Qc7 16.Qb3 Be5 -0.91/19

[⌓16...Rab8 -1.39/19 17.g3 Ne5]

17.h3 Rad8 18.Rad1 Bg7 19.Bxc6 Rxd1

[Much less strong is 19...bxc6 20.Rxd8 Qxd8 21.Qb7]

20.Rxd1 Qxc6 21.Kh1 -1.59/20

[⌓21.Qb4 -1.01/20]

21...Rc8 -1.21/20

[⌓21...Qe4 -1.59/20 22.Rd3 Rc8]

22.Nc3 e6 -0.61/20

[22...Qxc5∓ -1.21/21 23.Qxb7 Bxc3 24.bxc3 Rc7]

23.Rd3 -1.50/20

[White should play 23.Qc4!∓ -0.61/20]

23...Be5 24.Qb4 -3.00/21 White does not recover from this.

[24.Qc4∓ -1.47/22]

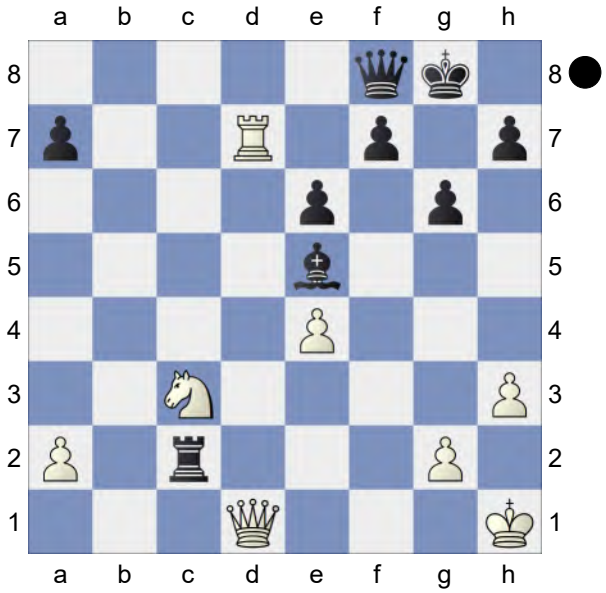
24...Qxc5-+ 25.Qxb7 Rb8 Deflection **26.Qf3 Rxb2 27.Rd7 Qf8** Active counter play!

[27...Qxc3 28.Qxf7+ Kh8 29.Qxh7#]

28.e4 -4.76/21

[28.Ne2 -3.18/21 was called for.]

28...Rc2 29.Qd1



Rf2

[29...Rxc3 30.Rd8∓]

30.Kg1? -6.75/24 White is weak on the dark squares

[30.Qg1 -3.78/21 Rb2 31.Nd1]

30...Qc5 31.Na4 Qe3 Weighted Error Value: White=0.66/Black=0.25 (precise)

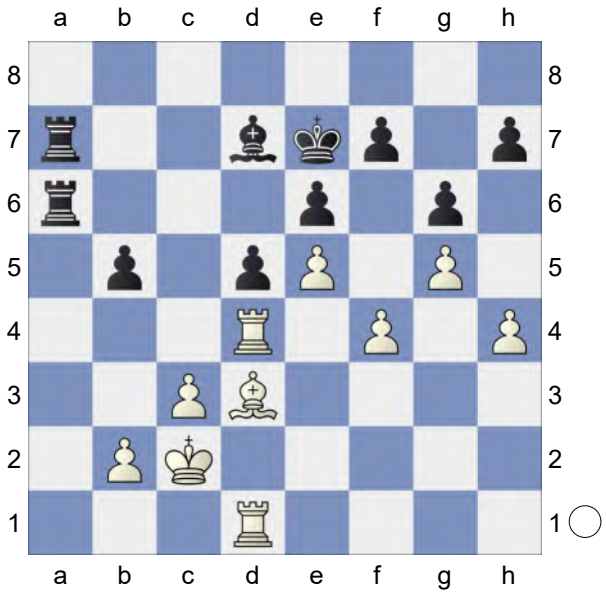
[31...Rxa2+? is the wrong capture. 32.Nxc5 Ra1 33.Qxa1 *(33.Rd8+ Kg7+-)* 33...Bxa1 34.Kf1+- *(34.Rxa7*

Bd4+ 35.Kf1 Bxc5±)]
0-1

C13

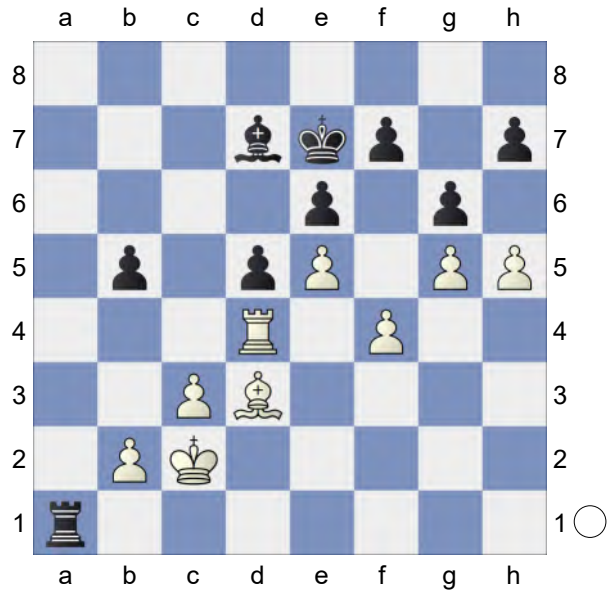
□ **Lilienthal,Andor**
■ **Menchik,Vera**
Moscow (13) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

C14: French: Classical System: 4 Bg5 Be7 main line **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Be7 5.e5**
[5.exd5 exd5 6.Bd3 Nc6 7.Nge2 Nb4 8.0-0 0-0 9.Ng3 Nxd3 10.Qxd3 h6 11.Bf4 Bd6 12.Qd2 Bxf4 13.Qxf4 c6 14.Rfe1 Re8 15.h3 Bd7 16.Rxe8+ Qxe8 17.Qd2 Qf8 18.Re1 Re8 19.Nb1 Rxe1+ ½-½ Maroczy,G-Menchik,V London_27818 1932 (1)]
5...Nfd7N
[5...Ne4 6.Nxe4 dxe4 7.Be3 c5 8.dxc5 Nd7 9.Qg4 Qa5+ 10.c3 Bxc5 11.Qxg7 Rf8 12.Bxc5 Qxc5 13.0-0-0 Qxe5 14.Qh6 Nf6 15.Rd8+ Kxd8 16.Qxf8+ Kc7 17.Nh3 e3 18.Bc4 b5 19.Qxf7+ Bd7 20.f4 1-0 Iordachescu,V (2485)-Popescu,C (2300) ROM-chT Baile Tusnad 1997 Qe4 21.Qxf6 bxc4 22.Ng5 e2 23.Nxe4 1-0 Johansen,T (2485)-Ripley (2300) (ol) 14/421 Skopje 1972]
6.h4 c5 7.Qg4 -0.20/19 White is more active.
[7.Bxe7!± 0.77/18 Kxe7 8.dxc5]
7...Nc6 8.Bxe7 Kxe7 9.Qg5+
[9.Qxg7 Rg8 10.Qxh7 cxd4-+]
[9.dxc5 seems wilder. Ndxe5 10.Qxg7 h6 11.Nf3]
9...Kf8 ...Qa5 is the strong threat. White has an edge. **10.Qxd8+ Nxd8 11.f4 Nc6** 0.57/20
[11...cxd4= 0.12/20 12.Nb5 f6]
12.Nf3 a6 13.0-0-0 0.23/17
[13.dxc5± 0.62/19 Nxc5 14.h5]
13...b5 0.67/18
[13...h5= 0.23/17]
14.g3 0.22/18
[14.h5± 0.67/18 should be considered.]
14...Nxd4 15.Nxd4 cxd4 16.Rxd4 Ke7 17.Bh3 0.06/16
[17.a4± 0.57/19]
17...Rd8 18.Rf1 Bb7 19.Nd1 Re8 20.Ne3 Kd8 0.28/16
[20...a5 -0.12/16 is more appropriate.]
21.Rfd1 Rc8 22.Kb1 Rc7 23.a4 Ke7 24.axb5 axb5 25.Bf1 Bc6 26.c3 Ra8 27.Nc2 Nc5 28.Bd3 -0.01/20
[28.f5± 0.42/19 deserves consideration.]
28...g6 0.51/22
[28...h5= -0.01/20]
29.g4!± Rb7 0.85/19
[Black should play 29...f6± 0.34/18]
30.Nb4± Bd7 31.Kc2 Prevents Nb3
31...Na6 32.Nxa6 Rxa6 33.g5 Rba7

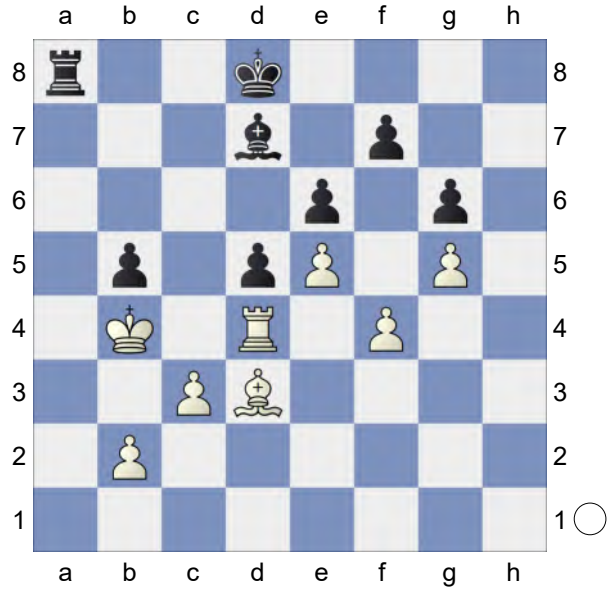


34.h5! Ra1
[34...Ra2 35.Rb4]

35.Rxa1 Rxa1



36.hxg6 0.01/24
[36.h6!± 0.72/25]
36...hxg6± Endgame. KRB-KRB **37.Kb3 Ra8 38.Kb4 Kd8** 0.84/26
[38...Ra2= 0.01/29 remains equal.]



39.Kc5 -0.01/23
[Of course not 39.Bxb5?! Bxb5 40.Kxb5 Rb8+ 41.Kc6 Rxb2=]
[39.b3!± 0.84/26]
39...Rc8+= 40.Kb4 Kc7 41.Bf1 Kb6 42.Rd2 Rh8 43.b3 Rh4 44.Rd4 Rh1 45.Bd3 Bc6 46.Ka3 Rd1 47.Kb2 Rd2+ 48.Kc1 Rf2 49.Kd1 Rh2 50.Be2 Kc5 51.b4+ Kb6 52.Kd2 Rh3 53.Rd3 Rxd3+ 54.Kxd3 Bd7 55.Kd4 Bc6 56.Bf3 Bd7 57.Ke3 Kc6 58.Kf2 Bc8
Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) /Black=0.16 (very precise)
½-½

A09

□ **Lisitsin,Georgy**
■ **Stahlberg,Gideon**
Moscow (13) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A09: Réti Opening: 1 Nf3 d5 2 c4 RR: 'Morozevich,A: 'Inf 101/3" **1.Nf3 d5 2.c4 d4 3.e3 c5 4.exd4 cxd4 5.g3 Nc6 6.Bg2 g6**
[6...e5 7.0-0 f6 8.d3 Nge7 9.a3 a5 10.Nbd2 Ng6 11.h4 Be7 12.Re1 0-0 13.h5 Nh8 14.Nh4 g5 15.hxg6 hxg6 16.Be4 f5 17.Bxc6 bxc6 18.Nhf3 Nf7 19.Nxe5 Nxe5 20.Rxe5 Bd6 21.Re1 0-1 Tomashevsky,E (2646)-Morozevich,A (2755) (ch) 101/3 Russia 2007]
7.d3 Bg7 8.0-0 e5N 1.00/20
[8...Nf6= -0.01/19 remains equal. 9.Na3 0-0 10.Nc2 a5 11.b3 e5 12.Ng5 Re8 13.Re1 h6 14.Ne4 Nxe4 15.Bxe4 Be6 16.Rb1 Qd7 17.Bd2 Bf5 18.Bxf5 Qxf5 19.Qe2 Qd7 20.f3 f5 21.Qg2 Kh7 22.Re2 Nd8 23.Rbe1 Nf7 0-1 Shmirin,A (2410)-21.Qc4 (2568) II 44/420 Amsterdam 1987 (2) 24.Bc1 Ra6 25.Bb2 Rae6 26.Na3 Bf8 27.Nb5 Bb4 28.Rf1 Bc5 29.Kh1 Ng5 30.Bc1 Nf7 31.Bd2 b6 32.Rfe1 h5 33.Rf1 Kg7 34.Rfe1 R8e7 35.a3 Nd6 36.b4 axb4 37.axb4 Nxb5 38.bxc5 Nc3

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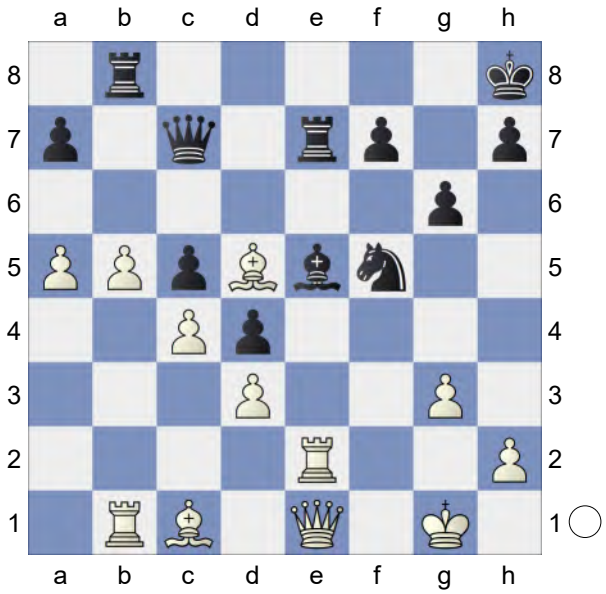
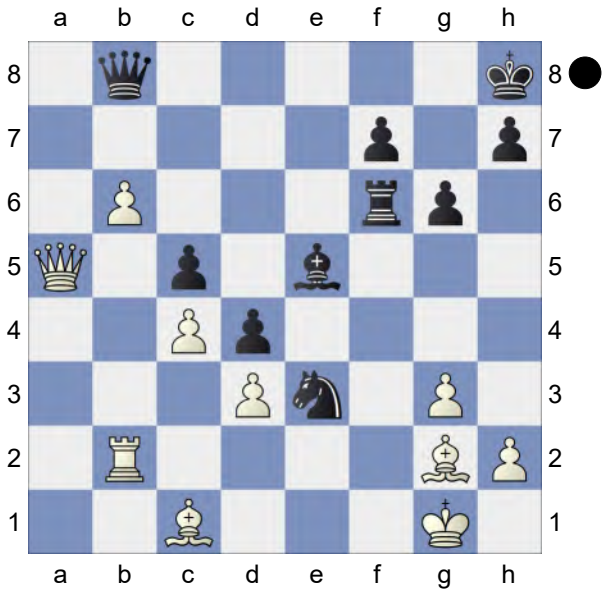
9.Re1 0.47/21
[9.b4!± 1.00/20]
9...Nge7 10.b4 Qc7 1.93/21
[10...Nxb4± 0.50/20 11.Qa4+ Nec6 12.Nxe5 0-0 13.Nxc6 Nxc6]
11.b5+- Nd8 12.Ba3 0-0 13.Nbd2 Bf5 14.Ne4 1.30/22
[14.Nxd4+- 1.93/19 Re8 15.Bxe7 exd4 16.Bb4 Rxe1+ 17.Qxe1]
14...Bxe4± 15.Rxe4
[15.dxe4?! b6=]
15...Re8 16.Rb1 Ne6 17.Re2 Nc5 1.95/22
[17...Nf5± 1.22/20 was called for. 18.Qa4 Bf6]
18.Ng5 1.50/20
[18.Bxc5+- 1.95/22 Qxc5 19.Ng5]
18...Rab8 1.86/21
[18...h6± 1.50/20]
19.Ne4 1.23/21
[White should try 19.Bxc5+- 1.86/21 Qxc5 20.Qa4]
19...b6 1.60/19
[Black should play 19...Nxe4 1.23/21 20.Rxe4 *(20.Bxe4 b6±)* 20...Nf5]
20.Nxc5 bxc5 21.Bc1 Nc8 22.a4 Nd6 23.Bd5 Kh8 2.27/19
[⌓23...h5 1.76/20 24.Ba3 Bf8]
24.f4 Nf5 25.Qe1 Re7 26.a5 Bf6? 3.68/23
[26...h5± 1.45/21 27.a6 Kg8 28.fxe5 Ne3]
27.fxe5+- Bxe5

(Diagram)

28.b6! axb6 29.Rxb6 0.57/23
[29.axb6+- 3.01/21 Qd6 30.Ba3]
29...Ne3!± 30.Reb2 Rxb6 31.axb6 Qb8 32.Bf3 Re6 1.06/20



[32...Kg7!± 0.63/20]
33.Qa5 -0.09/22
[Better is 33.b7± 1.06/20 Ra2! is the strong threat. Qf8 34.Qa5]
33...Rf6=
[33...Bxg3 is more complex. 34.Qxc5 Bxh2+ 35.Rxh2 Qg3+]
34.Bg2



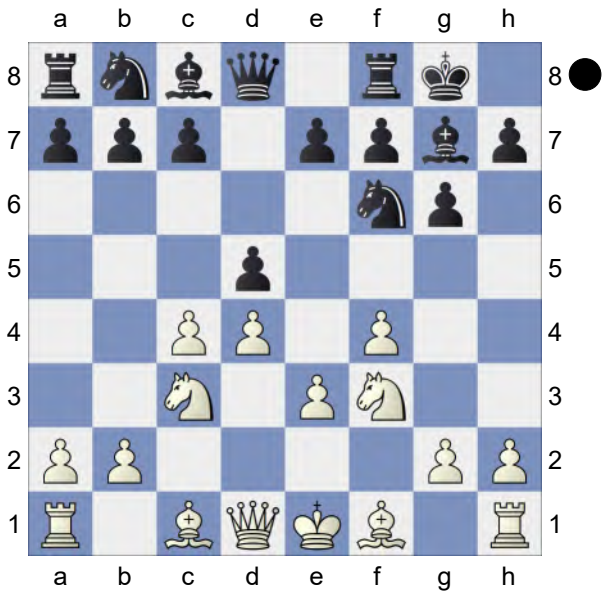
Bxg3!→ Demolition. Black wants a kill.
35.hxg3 -6.14/23
[35.Bxe3∓ -1.11/21 Bxh2+ 36.Kh1 dxe3 37.Qxc5]
[35.Kh1 Bxh2]

35...Qxg3-+ 36.Bxe3 Qxe3+ 37.Kh2 Qf4+? -0.01/27
[37...g5-+ -8.50/30 (→ ...Rh6+) 38.Bh3 Qf4+ 39.Kg2 g4]
38.Kg1=
[38.Kh3 g5 39.Qa8+ Kg7]
38...Qe3+
[38...Qc1+? 39.Kh2 Qf4+ *(39...Qxb2 40.b7=)* 40.Kg1 *(40.Kh3 g5 41.Qa8+ Kg7)* 40...Qe3+ *(40...Qc1+? 41.Kh2-+)* 41.Kh2-+]
39.Kh2 Strongly threatening Qa8+.
39...Rf5 40.Qa8+ Kg7 41.Qd5 Qf4+ 42.Kh3 Qh6+? -0.66/5
[42...Rxd5 43.Bxd5 Qh6+ 44.Kg2=]
[42...g5-+ -4.47/27 43.Bf3 *(43.Qe4? g4+ 44.Kh4 Qh2+ 45.Kxg4 Rf6-+)* 43...Rf6 *(43...Qxf3+? 44.Qxf3 Rxf3+ 45.Kg2+-; 43...Rxd5 44.Bxd5 f5 45.Kg2∓)*]
43.Kg3∓ Qg5+ The position is equal.
44.Kh2 Qf4+ 45.Kh3 Qc1 46.Qxf5 gxf5= Endgame. KQ-KRB **47.Rb5 Qe3+ 48.Kh2 f4 49.b7 Qg3+**
[49...Qxd3 50.Rb2 *(50.b8R? Qg3+ 51.Kg1 d3-+)* 50...Qg3+ *(50...Qxc4? 51.b8Q+-)* 51.Kh1 Qe1+ 52.Bf1 Qxf1+ *(52...Qh4+? 53.Kg1+-)* 53.Kh2 Qxc4 *(53...Qf3 54.b8Q+-)* 54.b8Q+- *(54.b8N? f3-+)*]
50.Kg1 aiming for Rb2. Chess con chili.
50...Qe1+
[50...Qxd3? is the wrong capture. 51.Rb2 *(51.b8R? Qe3+ 52.Kh2 d3-+)* 51...Qe3+ *(51...Qxc4?* perishes. *52.b8Q+-)* 52.Kh2+-]
[50...f3!? 51.Rb2□ Qe1+ *(51...fxg2? 52.Rxg2+-* Pin *)* 52.Bf1 Qe3+ 53.Kh2 Qe5+ 54.Kh3 Qb8±]
51.Kh2 And now Rb2! would win.
51...Qh4+ 52.Kg1 Active counter play!
52...Qe1+ 53.Bf1 Rb2! would now be deadly. **53...Qg3+** Weighted Error Value: White=0.30/Black=0.56
½-½

A03

□ **Pirc,Vasja**
■ **Alatortsev,Vladimir**
Moscow (13) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A03: Bird's Opening with 1...d5 **1.f4 d5 2.Nf3 g6 3.e3 Bg7 4.c4 Nf6 5.d4 0-0 6.Nc3** -0.60/19
[6.cxd5= -0.11/18 Bg4 7.Qb3]



6...c5!∓ 7.dxc5 Qa5 0.01/21
[7...Ne4∓ -0.47/19 is superior. 8.Nxd5 e6 *(8...Nxc5 9.Be2=)*]
8.cxd5=
[8.Bd2 is interesting. Qxc5 9.Qb3 Ne4 10.Nxd5 Nc6 11.Qb5]
8...Nxd5 9.Qxd5 Bxc3+ 10.Bd2 -0.53/23
[10.bxc3= 0.01/21 Qxc3+ 11.Qd2 Qxa1 12.Bc4]
10...Bxd2+ 0.20/23
[10...Rd8∓ -0.53/23 11.Bxc3 Qxc3+ 12.bxc3 Rxd5]

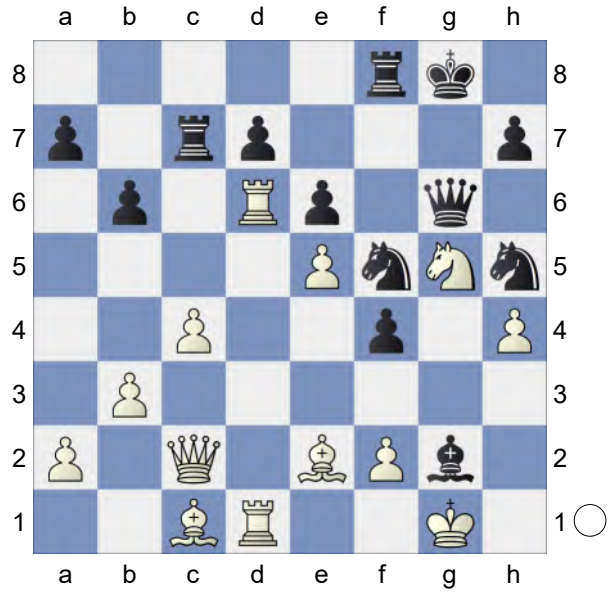
11.Qxd2 Qxc5 12.Rc1 Qb6 13.Bc4 Be6 14.Bxe6 Qxe6 15.0-0 Nc6 16.a3 Rad8N
[16...Rfd8 17.Qe2 h6 18.Rfe1 Rd6 19.b4 a6 20.Rc3 Rad8 21.b5 axb5 22.Qxb5 R6d7 23.Qb1 Qd6 24.Rb3 e5 ½-½ Baer,A-Ceplecha,T VM2002-VR-Gr02 www.desc-online.de]
17.Qc3 Rd7 18.Rcd1 Rfd8 19.Ng5
[19.Rxd7 simplifies Rxd7 20.h3 Qe4 21.Re1]
19...Qf6 -0.01/27
[19...Qf5!∓ -0.38/25 20.e4 Qg4]
20.Rxd7 Rxd7 21.Qxf6 exf6 Endgame. KRN-KRN **22.Ne4 Kg7 23.Nc5 Re7** With the idea ...b6! **24.Kf2 b6 25.Nb3 Rd7 26.Ke2** Prevents Rd3. **26...f5 27.Rd1 Rxd1 28.Kxd1** KN-KN **28...Kf6 29.Kc2 Ke7 30.Kd3 Kd6 31.Nd4 Nxd4 32.exd4** Kc4 would now be deadly. KP-KP **32...Kd5 33.a4 a6 34.b3 f6 35.h4** 1.27/25
[Better is 35.Ke3= 0.01/24]
35...h6± 36.g3 The position is equal. **36...g5 37.Ke3 gxh4 38.gxh4 h5 39.Kd3** Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) /Black=0.11 (very precise)
½-½

E39

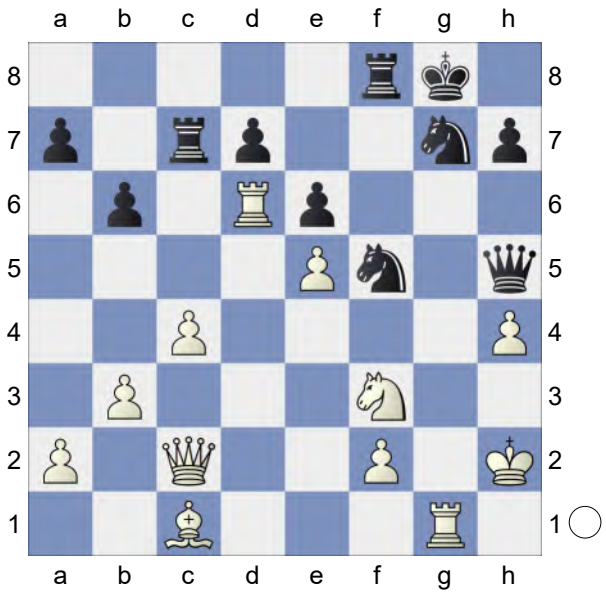
□ **Levenfish,Grigory**
■ **Chekhover,Vitaly**
Moscow (14) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

E39: Nimzo-Indian: Classical: 4...c5 5 dxc5 0-0 Larsen concluded that year with two further memorable performances. First, with a powerful spurt at the finish, he won the very strong 'Vinkovci autumn' tournament in Yugoslavia: 1. Larsen - 10½ out of 15; 2-4. Bronstein, Gligoric and Hort - 10; 5. Velimirovic - 9½; 6-9. Minic, Petrosian, Szabo and Taimanov - 9 etc. The following win appeared in chess magazines around the world. 4/4 Inf 3/617 Inf 10/655 **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Qc2 c5 5.dxc5 Nc6 6.Nf3 Bxc5 7.Bf4 0-0 8.Rd1N**
[8.e3 d5 9.a3 Qa5
A) 10.Rd1 Be7 *(10...Rd8 11.Nd2 d4 12.Nb3 Qb6 13.Na4 Bb4+ 14.axb4 Qxb4+ 15.Nd2 Qa5 16.b3 Nb4 17.Qb1 b5 18.Nb2 Bb7 19.f3 e5 20.Bg5 dxe3 21.Bxe3 e4 22.Be2 exf3 23.Bxf3 Bxf3 24.gxf3 Re8 25.Kf2* 1-0 Doroshkievich,V-Gipslis,A Tbilisi Tbilisi 3/617 1967*; 10...dxc4 11.Bxc4 Be7 12.0-0 a6 13.Ne4 Nxe4 14.Qxe4 Rd8 15.Ne5 Nxe5 16.Bxe5 Qb6 17.Qg4 Bf8 18.Rxd8 Qxd8 19.Rd1 Qe8 20.Qe4 a5 21.Bd3 f5 22.Qf3 a4 23.Bc4 g6 24.Qf4 b5 25.Bc3* 1-0 Bagirov,V-Kholmov,R USSR (ch) USSR (ch) 10/655 1970*)* 11.Nd2 e5 12.Nb3 Qb6 13.Bg5 Bg4 14.f3 dxc4 15.Bxc4 Bh5 16.0-0 Rac8 17.Qe2 Nb8 18.Bxf6 1-0 Methling,L (2204)-Schumacher,R (2011) corr-QTHA-4/4 1993 (2);
B) 10.Rc1 Be7 11.Be2 dxc4 12.Bxc4 Nd5 13.Bxd5 exd5 14.Qb3 g5 15.Bg3 g4 16.Nd4 Nxd4 17.exd4 Bg5 18.0-0 Bxc1 19.Rxc1 Be6 20.h3 gxh3 21.Be5 f6 22.Ne4 fxe5 Larsen,B-Taimanov,M]
8...b6 9.e3 Bb7 10.Be2 Rc8 11.0-0 Be7 12.e4 Na5 13.e5 0.49/20
[13.b3!± 1.07/19]
13...Nh5± 14.Be3 -0.35/19
[14.Bc1± 0.47/20]

14...f5? 1.50/19
[14...Nxc4∓ -0.35/19 15.Bc1 b5]
15.b3 Qe8 1.89/18
[15...g5± 1.27/19]
16.Nb5+- Nc6 2.14/21
[16...Be4± 1.53/20 17.Qc3 Nc6]
17.Nd6 Bxd6 18.Rxd6 Rc7 19.Rfd1 Ne7 20.Nh4 0.91/21
[20.Qc3+- 1.82/20]
20...f4± 21.Bc1 Bg4 is the strong threat.
21...g5 22.Nf3 Nf5 23.Nxg5 0.06/21
[23.R6d3± 0.76/20]
23...Qg6= 24.h4
[24.Rxd7 Qxg5 25.g4 Rxd7 26.Rxd7 Bc6-+]
24...Bxg2 0.87/24



25.Kh2!↑ And now Rg1! would win. White is really pushing. **25...f3**
[25...Nxd6? 26.Qxg6+ hxg6 27.exd6+-]
26.Bxf3 0.01/25
[26.Bd3? h6-+]
[26.Nxf3± 0.71/24 Bxf3 *(26...Nxd6? 27.Qxg6+ hxg6 28.exd6+-; 26...Qg4? 27.Ng5+-)* 27.Bxf3 Nxh4 *(27...Nxd6? 28.Rg1+-)* 28.Qxg6+ Remove Defender hxg6 29.Bxh5 *(29.Rxd7? Rxd7 30.Rxd7 Rxf3-+)* 29...gxh5 30.Rxd7 Rxd7 31.Rxd7]
26...Bxf3=
[26...Nxd6 27.Qxg6+ hxg6 28.Bxh5 *(28.Bxg2 Nxc4 29.bxc4 Rxf2=; 28.Kxg2 Nf5±)* 28...Nxc4 *(28...gxh5? 29.exd6+-)* 29.bxc4+- *(29.Kxg2 Nxe5 30.Bf3 Nxf3+-; 29.Bxg6 Rxf2 30.Kg3 Rf1±)*]
27.Nxf3 Rg1 would now be deadly.
27...Nhg7 1.18/23 A dynamic duo of knights.
[27...Nxd6? 28.Rg1+-]
[27...Nxh4!= 0.01/24 28.Qxg6+ Nxg6]
28.Rg1±
[28.Rxd7 Rxd7 29.Rxd7 Nxh4 30.Rxg7+ Kxg7 31.Qxg6+ Nxg6∓]
28...Qh5



29.Qe4 0.43/28 **Nxd6**
[29...Rxc4 30.Qxc4]
30.exd6 Rcc8? 4.45/27 Black is weak on the dark squares
[30...Rxc4!= 0.30/24 and Black stays safe. 31.bxc4 Rxf3]
31.Bb2+- Rf7 6.43/23
[31...Rxf3 3.25/26 32.Rxg7+ Kf8 33.Rxh7 Qf5 34.Qxf5+ Rxf5 35.Rh8+ Skewer *(35.Rxd7? Rxf2+*

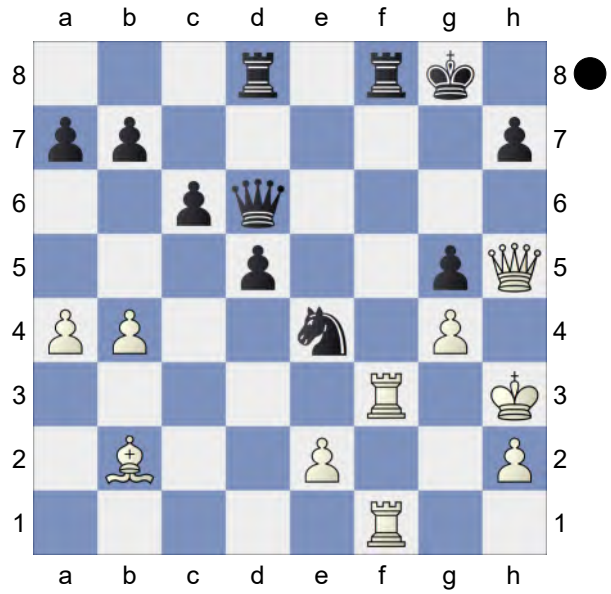
36.Kg3 Rxb2-+) 35...Kf7]
32.Qd4 Qh6 33.Ng5 Rcf8 34.Nxf7 Rxf7 35.b4? -0.17/24
[35.Rg4+- 6.30/24]
35...e5!= 36.Rxg7+? -4.28/26 **Qxg7** Endgame. KQR-KQB
[36...Rxg7 37.Qe4=]
37.Qd5 Qf6 38.Qg2+ Kh8 39.Kh3 Qf5+ 40.Qg4 Qxg4+
[40...Qxf2? perishes. 41.Bxe5+ Rf6 42.Bd4 *(42.Bxf6+ Qxf6 43.b5 Qxd6±; 42.Qxd7? too greedy. Qf1+ 43.Kg3 Qd3+ 44.Kh2 Qe2+ 45.Kh3 Qxe5-+)* 42...Qf1+ 43.Kh2+-]
41.Kxg4 Rxf2 Black is clearly winning.
42.Bxe5+-+ KR-KB **42...Kg8 43.c5 bxc5 44.bxc5 Rxa2 45.Kg5** Threatens to win with c6! **45...Kf7 46.Kh6 Rc2** Repels Bc3. White must now prevent ...a5. **47.Bd4 Rc4 48.Bf2 a5** What a bad dream for White. Weighted Error Value: White=0.86/ Black=0.59
0-1

A95

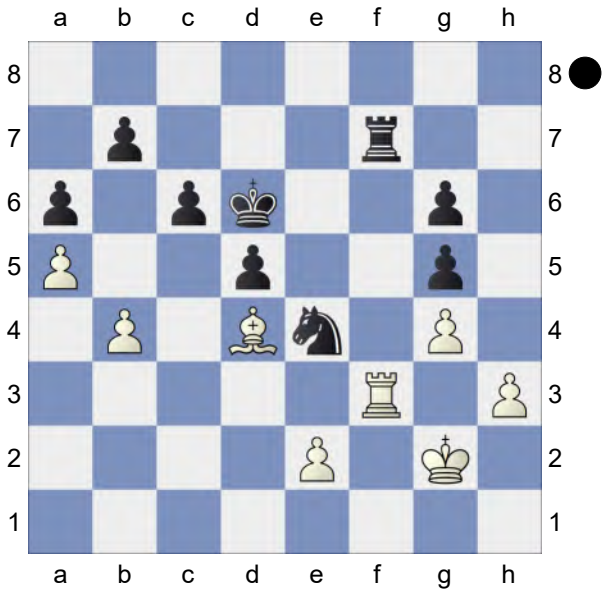
□ **Lisitsin,Georgy**
■ **Ragozin,Viacheslav**
Moscow (14) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A95: Classical Dutch: Classical Stonewall: 7 Nc3 c6 **1.Nf3 e6**
[1...d5 2.g3 Nf6 3.Bg2 c6 4.d3 Nbd7 5.0-0 e5 6.e4 dxe4 7.dxe4 Bc5 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.Nb3 Be7 10.Qe2 Re8 11.Rd1 Qc7 12.Ne1 a5 13.a4 Nc5 14.Nxc5 Bxc5 15.Nd3 Bg4 16.Bf3 Sarwinski,M (2691)-Jimenez G, G (2671) B2) 6...♕e7]
2.c4 f5 3.Nc3N
[3.g3 Nf6 4.Bg2 c6 5.0-0 Be7 6.b3 0-0 7.Bb2 d6 8.d4 Ne4 9.Nfd2 d5 10.Nxe4 fxe4 11.f3 exf3 12.Bxf3 Nd7 13.Nd2 Nf6 14.e4 Bd7 15.Qe2 Bb4 16.e5 Ne8 17.a3 Be7 1-0 Smyslov,V (2565)-Levitina,I (2420) Furman Memorial St Petersburg 1995 (1) 18.Bg2 Nc7 19.Rxf8+ Qxf8 20.Rf1 Qe8 21.Qd3 Qh5 22.Bf3 Qh3 23.c5 Rf8 24.Bg2 Rxf1+ 25.Bxf1 Qf5 26.b4 Be8 27.Qxf5 exf5 28.a4 a6 29.Nb3 Bd7 30.Kf2 g6 31.Bc1 Ne6 32.Be3 Bd8 1-0 5..dxe4 (2565)-Lucena,S (2420) Saint Petersburg 70/(169) 1996 (1)]
[3.e3 d5 4.cxd5 exd5 5.b3 Be7 6.Bb2 Bf6 7.Nc3 Ne7 8.Qc2 0-0 9.Ne2 Bxb2 10.Qxb2 7a) The Stonewall Dutch-Stonewall Dutch: 3...d5 #1 Lifetime Repertoires: Modern Reti - Par 2024]
3...Nf6 4.g3 Be7 5.Bg2 0-0 6.0-0 d5 7.d4 c6 8.Bf4 Qe8 9.Ne5 Nbd7 10.cxd5 exd5 11.Nd3 White has an edge. **11...Nb6 12.b4** -0.22/19
[12.a4± 0.34/17]
12...Kh8 13.a4 Nc4 14.Rb1 Ne4 15.Nxe4 -0.82/21
[15.Qc1∓ -0.44/21 was preferrable.]
15...fxe4∓ 16.Ne5 Nd6 -0.01/20
[16...Bd6∓ -0.54/19]
17.f3= Bf5 And now ...exf3 would win.
18.Rb3 Rd8 19.g4 exf3 20.Rbxf3 Be4 21.Rh3 Bxg2 22.Kxg2 Ne4 23.Bc1 -1.06/22
[23.Rhf3∓ -0.64/19]
23...Bf6 24.Rhf3 Qe7 25.Qe1 Kg8 26.Rf5 -1.63/19
[26.Bf4∓ -0.84/21]
26...Nd6↑ Black is really pushing.
27.Rh5 -2.24/20
[27.R5f4∓ -1.58/22]
27...g6 Deflection **28.Rh3 Bxe5 29.dxe5 Qxe5** ...Qe4+ is the strong

threat. **30.Rhf3 Qe4 31.Kg3** White is weak on the light squares **31...Qe5+?** -0.01/22
[31...Rf7-+ -1.78/20 White must now prevent ...Re8. 32.h4 Qc4 33.Rxf7 Nxf7]
32.Kh3? -1.85/20
[32.Kg2= -0.01/22 and White has nothing to worry.]
32...Ne4 -1.13/21
[Black should try 32...Rxf3+-+ -1.85/20 33.exf3 Nc4 34.Qxe5 Nxe5]
33.Qh4 -1.57/22
[⌓33.Bh6 -1.13/21 Ng5+ 34.Bxg5 Rxf3+ *(34...Qxg5 35.Rxf8+ Rxf8 36.Rxf8+* Remove Defender *Kxf8 37.Qf2+ Kg8 38.Qxa7=)* 35.exf3 Qxg5 36.b5]
33...Qd6 -1.04/21
[Better is 33...g5 -1.57/22 34.Qh5 Rxf3+ 35.Rxf3 Rf8]
34.Bb2 -2.05/23
[34.Kg2∓ -1.04/21]
34...g5
[34...Qxb4? loses. 35.Ba3 Rxf3+ 36.Rxf3+- *(36.exf3 g5+-)*]
35.Qh5



Qg6 -0.82/25 Wards off Rf7
[Worse is 35...Qxb4 36.Rf7]
[35...Rxf3+!-+ -1.75/24 and Black stays clearly on top. 36.Rxf3 Rf8 *(36...Qxb4 37.Qf7#)*]
36.Qxg6+ hxg6 37.Bd4 -1.54/23
[⌓37.a5 -0.89/25]
37...a6 -0.77/27
[⌓37...b6 -1.54/23 ...c5 would now be deadly. 38.Kg2 c5 39.bxc5 bxc5]
38.Kg2∓ Nd2 39.Rxf8+ Rxf8∓ Endgame. KRB-KRN **40.Rd1 Ne4 41.h3** -1.04/25
[41.Rd3∓ -0.59/25 should be considered.]
41...Kf7 -0.60/23
[41...Re8∓ -1.04/25 42.Rd3 Re7]
42.a5 Ke6 43.Rd3 Rf4 44.Be3 Rf7 45.Bd4 Rf4 0.01/26
[45...Kd7∓ -0.68/26]
46.Be3!= Rf7 47.Bd4! Dodges Rf6 **47...Kd6 48.Rf3**

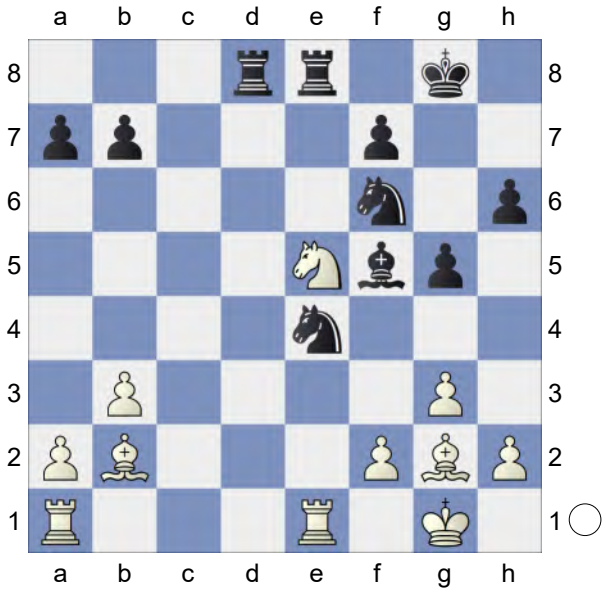


Ke6 0.01/25
[48...Ke7!∓ -0.74/26]
49.Rd3! White happily takes the draw. Weighted Error Value: White=0.28 (precise) /Black=0.35
½-½

E01

□ **Botvinnik,Mikhail**
■ **Lasker,Emanuel**
Moscow (14) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

E02: Open Catalan: 5 Qa4+ Inf 21/448
1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Qa4+ Nbd7 5.Qxc4
[5.Nc3 a6 *(5...e6 6.e4 c5 7.d5 exd5 8.e5 d4 9.Bxc4 dxc3 10.Ng5 Qe7 11.Bxf7+* Chapter 2 - 4.d4 Nf6 5. Nc3 2022 *)* 6.e4 b5 7.Nxb5 Nxe4 8.Bxc4 e6 9.Nc3 Nd6 10.Bb3 Be7 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Nc6 Qe8 13.Nxe7+ Qxe7 14.0-0 Bb7 15.Qa5 Nb6 16.Qc5 Rfc8 17.Bg5 Qd7 18.Rfe1 Nb5 19.Rad1 Qc6 ½-½ Piket,J (2630)-Kortschnoj,V (2610) 70/360 Antwerpen 1997]
5...e6 6.g3N
[6.Nc3 Be7 *(6...Nb6 7.Qd3 c5 8.e4 cxd4 9.Nxd4 Bc5 10.Nb3 Qxd3 11.Bxd3 Bb4 12.Ke2 Bd7 13.Bf4 0-0 14.Rhc1 Rfc8 15.Nd1 Na4 16.a3 Be7 17.f3 h6 18.Be3 Kf8 19.Rxc8+ Rxc8 20.Rc1 Rxc1 21.Nxc1* 1-0 Palatnik,S-Korsunsky,R USSR USSR 21/448 1976*)* 7.Bf4 c6 8.e3 0-0 9.Be2 Nb6 10.Qb3 Nbd5 11.Be5 Qb6 12.Qc2 Bd7 13.0-0 Rac8 14.Na4 Qd8 15.Nc5 Bxc5 16.dxc5 Ne8 17.e4 Ndc7 18.Rfd1 f6 19.Bg3 b5 20.Rd3 Rf7 1-0 Kuenzner, F-Sluzalski,M Srbija 99/110 2007 (9)]
6...c5 7.dxc5 Bxc5 8.Bg2 0-0 9.0-0 Qe7 10.Nc3 h6 11.e4 -0.11/19
[11.Na4± 0.44/19]
11...e5= 12.Na4 Re8 0.26/21
[12...a5∓ -0.33/20 13.Rd1 Ba7]
13.Nh4 Nb6 14.Qxc5 Nxa4 15.Qxe7 Rxe7 16.b3 Nc3 17.Ba3 -0.01/21
[Better is 17.Re1± 0.51/20]
17...Re8 0.48/23
[17...Ne2+!= -0.01/21 18.Kh1 Rc7]
18.Bb2↑ White has some pressure.
18...Ncxe4 19.Rfe1 g5 1.09/22
[19...Ng5= 0.25/21]
20.Nf3±
[But not 20.Bxe4 Nxe4 21.Rxe4 f5 22.Rxe5 Rxe5 23.Bxe5 gxh4±]
20...Bf5 21.Nxe5
[Reject 21.Bxe5?! g4 22.Nd4 Rxe5=]
21...Rad8



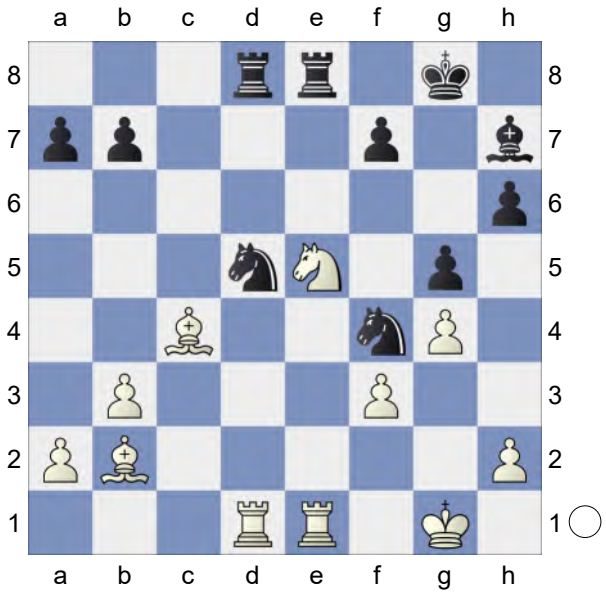
22.g4! Bh7 23.f3 Nc5 24.Bf1 Rac1 would now be deadly. **24...Nd5 25.Bc4 Ne6 26.Rad1** White is more active. **26...Nef4**

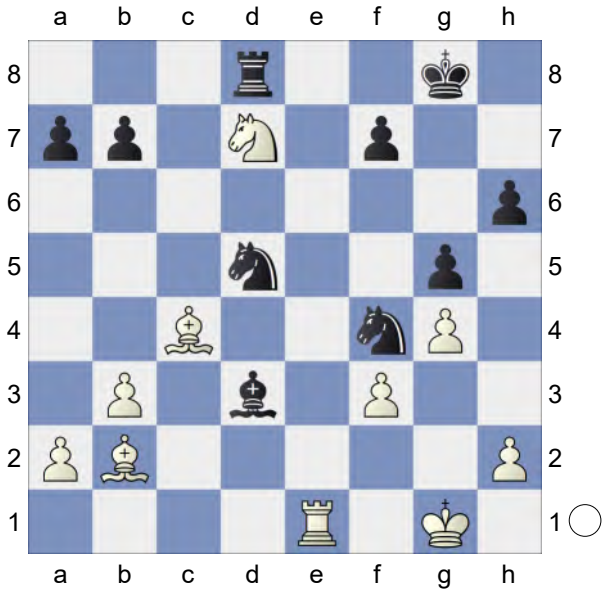
(Diagram)

27.Nd7! 0.62/24 **Rxe1+!± 28.Rxe1 Bd3** 0.92/22
[28...Bc2± 0.50/23 is superior.]

(Diagram)

29.Nf6+ -0.01/23
[White should try 29.Bxd5!± 0.92/22





Nxd5 30.Nc5]

29...Nxf6= **30.Bxf6** A strong pair of Bishops. **30...Rc8** **31.Bd4** **Bxc4** **32.bxc4** Endgame. KRB-KRN **32...b6** **33.Re4** **Ne6** **34.Bf6** **Rc5** **35.a3** **Kh7** **36.Kf1** **Kg6** **37.Bb2** -0.92/22

[37.Be5∓ -0.45/22]

37...Rc7 -0.33/22

[Black should play 37...h5∓ -0.92/22]

38.h4∓ **h5** **39.hxg5** **hxg4** **40.Rxg4** **Kf5!** **41.Rh4!** **Nf4** Black has compensation. **42.Rh7** **Ke6** **43.Bc1** -0.47/25

[43.Rh8= -0.08/25]

43...Ng6 0.00/23

[43...Rxc4∓ -0.47/25 was preferrable. 44.Bxf4 Rxf4]

44.f4= The position is equal. **44...b5** **45.Ke2** **bxc4** **46.Kd1** **Kf5** **47.Kc2** **Nf8** **48.Rh6** **Ne6** **49.Rf6+** **Ke4** ...c3 is the strong threat. **50.g6** **Nd4+** **51.Kc3** **fxg6** **52.Rxg6** **Ne2+** **53.Kc2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.16 (very precise) / Black=0.13 (very precise)

½-½

D53

□ **Alatortsev,Vladimir**
■ **Kan,Ilia Abramovich**
Moscow (14) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D53: Queen's Gambit Declined: 4 Bg5 Be7: Early deviations **1.d4** **Nf6** **2.c4** **e6** **3.Nc3** **d5** **4.Bg5** **Be7** **5.e3** **0-0** **6.Qc2** **Nbd7** **7.Rd1**

[7.cxd5 exd5 8.Bd3 Re8 9.Nge2 c6 10.h3 Nf8 11.g4 Be6 12.Ng3 N6d7 13.Bxe7 Qxe7 14.0-0 c5 15.dxc5 Nxc5 16.Be2 Ncd7 17.Rad1 Nb6 18.Bf3 Red8 19.Rd4 Ng6 20.Rfd1 Qc7 21.Bg2 Rd7 ½-½ Bartel,M (2638)-Nasuta,G (2528) 147/(107) Krakow 2021]

7...b6N

[7...dxc4 8.Bxc4 Nb6 9.Bb3 h6 10.Bf4 Bd6 11.Bg3 Qe7 12.Nf3 Bxg3 13.hxg3 c5 14.a3 cxd4 15.exd4 Nbd5 16.Ne5 Bd7 17.g4 Rfc8 18.Rd3 Ne4 19.Rdh3 Ng5 20.R3h2 Bc6 21.Qc1 f6 22.Ng6 0-1 Bredoff,M-Vanagas,T (ch) 115/87 Ukraine 2012 Qf7 23.Nf4 Nxc3 24.bxc3 Bd5 25.Bd1 Qc7 26.Ne2 Qc6 27.f3 e5 28.dxe5 fxe5 29.Qe3

Re8 30.Ng3 e4 31.f4 Nf3+ ½-½ Ajay,K (2454)-Seres,L (2360) Budapest FS04 GM 2023 (9)]

8.cxd5 exd5 9.Qa4 -0.07/19

[9.Bd3± 0.35/19]

9...Bb7 10.Ba6 Qc8 11.Bxb7 Qxb7 12.Nf3 h6 13.Bh4 c6 14.0-0 Rfe8 15.Rc1 Bd6 16.Rc2 a6 17.Ne2 c5 18.Bxf6 Nxf6 19.dxc5 bxc5 20.Nc3 Be5 21.Qa3 Bxc3 22.Rxc3 Ne4 23.Rc2 Rac8 24.Rd1 Red8 25.h3 Qb5 26.Qd3 Qa5 27.b3 c4 28.bxc4 -0.25/22

[⌓28.Qe2! 0.25/22]

28...dxc4= 29.Rxc4 -0.88/29 **Rxd3∓ 30.Rxc8+ Kh7 31.Rxd3 Qxa2 32.Kh2 Qxf2**

[32...Nxf2 33.Rdd8 g6 34.Ne5± *(34.Rh8+ Kg7=)*]

33.Ra8? -2.43/25

[33.Rdd8∓ -0.77/27]

33...Qg3+-+ 34.Kg1 Nf2 35.Rd2 Nxh3+ 36.Kf1 Ng5 37.Nxg5+ Qxg5 Endgame. KQ-KRR **38.Re2** -2.00/23

[38.Rd6∓ -1.44/21 keeps fighting.]

38...a5 39.Ra7 f6 40.Rc7 Qf5+ 41.Kg1 h5 42.Rc3 -2.41/21

[⌓42.Rc1 -1.80/22]

42...Qe5 -1.41/20

[Less strong is 42...Qb1+ 43.Kf2∓]

[42...g5-+ -2.41/21 43.Re1 Qe5]

43.Ra3∓ h4 44.Rea2 g5 45.Kh1 Kg6 46.Ra1 -2.28/24

[46.Rxa5∓ -1.46/26 might work better. Qxe3 47.R5a3 Qe1+ 48.Kh2]

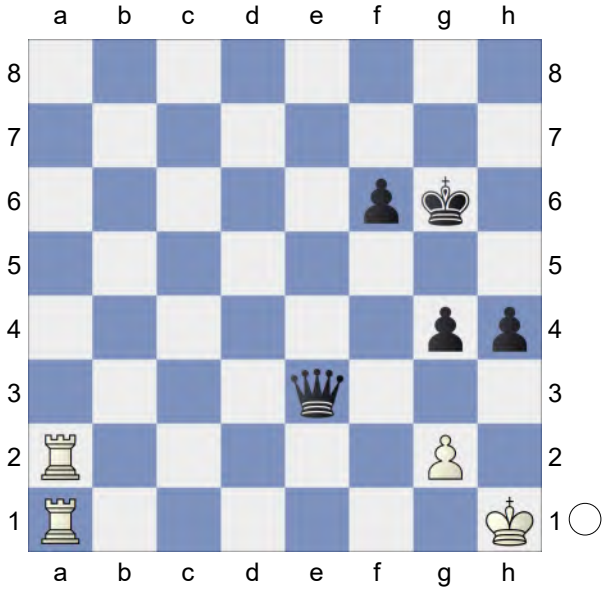
46...Qe4-+ 47.Kh2 g4 -0.88/24

[47...Qg4-+ -2.27/23 and Black stays clearly on top. Strongly threatening ... Qg3+. 48.Kh1 h3 49.gxh3 Qxh3+ 50.Kg1 Qg3+ 51.Kf1 f5]

48.Rxa5∓ Qxe3 -0.54/26

[Black should play 48...f5∓ -1.00/21 49.Ra8 Qc4 *(49...Qxe3 50.R1a6+ Kf7 51.R6a7+ Kf6 52.Rf8+ Kg6 53.Rg8+ Kh6 54.Rh8+ Kg6 55.Rg8+ Kf6 56.Rf8+ Kg5 57.Rg8+ Kh6 58.Rh8+ Kg6 59.Rg8+=)*]

49.R5a3!∓ Qe5+ 50.Kh1 Qe2 51.R3a2 Qe3

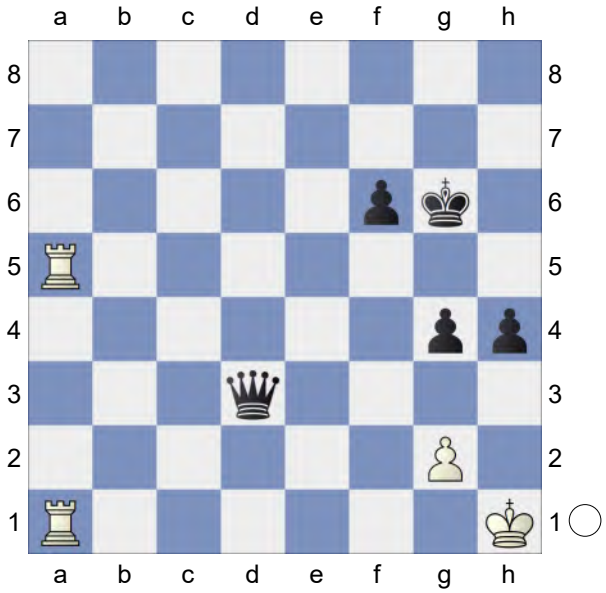


...h3 is the strong threat. **52.Ra3 Qh6 53.Ra6 Qf4**

[53...Qd2 simplifies 54.Rf1 Qc3 55.Rfxf6+ Qxf6 56.Rxf6+ Kxf6 57.Kg1 Kf5]

54.R6a4 Qf5 And now ...h3 would win.

55.Ra5 Qd3



aiming for ...h3. **56.R5a3 Qd2**
[56...Qe4!? 57.Ra4□ Qe2=]
57.R3a2 Qh6 -0.01/27
[57...Qd7∓ -0.49/28]
58.Ra6!= Qg5 -0.01/29
[58...Qh7∓ -0.49/28 feels stronger. 59.R6a3 g3]
59.R6a5! The position is equal. **59...f5 60.Ra8! Qe3** Hoping for ...h3. **61.R8a3! Qd2** White should prevent ...Kg5. **62.R3a2** White happily takes the draw. Weighted Error Value: White=0.17 (very precise) /Black=0.18 (very precise)
½-½

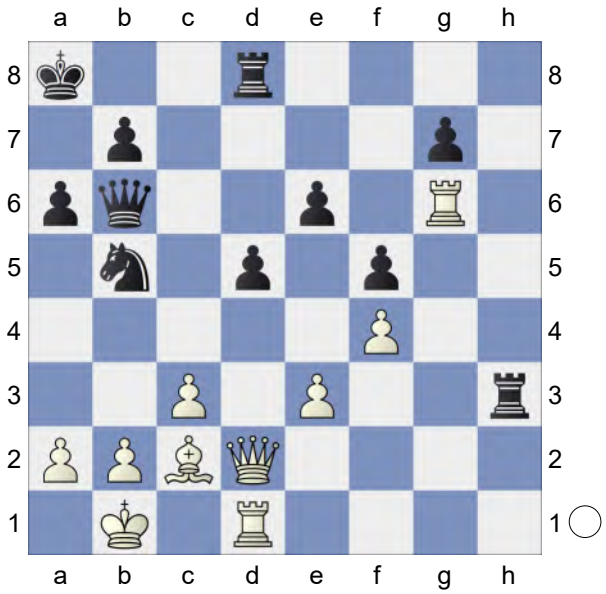
D00

□ **Menchik,Vera**
■ **Flohr,Salo**
Moscow (14) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D00: 1 d4 d5: Unusual lines **1.d4 d5 2.Nc3 Bf5 3.Bf4 e6 4.e3 Bd6 5.Bd3 Bg6 6.Nf3 Ne7 7.Ne5 a6 8.Qd2 c5 9.Nxg6 hxg6 10.Bxd6 Qxd6 11.dxc5 Qxc5 12.Ne2 Qd6 13.f4 Qb6 14.0-0-0 Nbc6 15.c3 0-0-0 16.Kb1 Kb8 17.Nd4 Ka8** 0.10/21
[17...Nf5 -0.28/20 should be considered.]
18.h3 Nc8 19.Rhe1 Nd6 20.Nxc6 Qxc6 21.Qe2 Rhe8 22.Bc2 f5 23.Qd2 Qb6 24.Qd4 Qc7
[24...Qxd4 simplifies 25.exd4 Ne4 26.Re3 Rf8]
25.g4 Rh8 26.gxf5 Nb5 27.Qd2 gxf5 28.Rg1 Rxh3 29.Rg6 Qb6

(Diagram)

...Na3+ would now be deadly. **30.Bxf5! Rxe3 31.Bd3 Rf3** 0.01/21



[Better is 31...d4∓ -0.74/21 32.Bxb5 Qxb5]
32.Bxb5!= The position is equal. **32...axb5 33.Rxg7 Rf8 34.Rg4 Rf2 35.Qd4 Ka7 36.Qxb6+ Kxb6** Endgame. KRR-KRR **37.Rd4 Kc5 38.a3 Rf6 39.Rb4 Kc6 40.Ka2 Re2 41.Rh4 Re4 42.Kb3 Rc4 43.Rg4 Kc5 44.Rh4 Rxb4+ 45.axb4+** KR-KR **45...Kd6 46.Kc2 b6 47.Kd3 Rg6 48.Rh7 Rg3+ 49.Ke2 d4 50.Rb7 Kc6 51.Re7 dxc3 52.bxc3 Kd5 53.Kd2 Rf3 54.Rd7+ Kc4 55.Rd6 Rxf4 56.Rxe6 Rf2+ 57.Ke3** Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) /Black=0.07 (flawless)
½-½

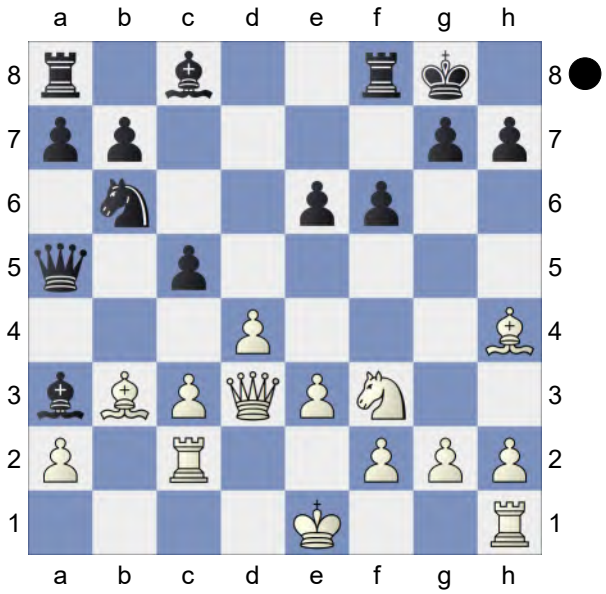
D52

□ **Stahlberg,Gideon**
■ **Spielmann,Rudolf**
Moscow (14) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

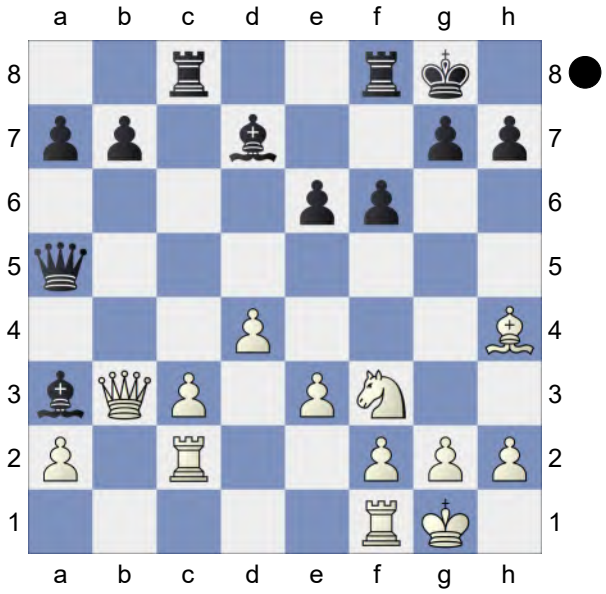
D52: Queen's Gambit Declined: Cambridge Springs Variation Short,N: 'Inf 73/508' **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6**

4.Nc3 e6 5.Bg5 Nbd7 6.e3 Qa5 7.cxd5
[7.Nd2 Bd6 8.Bh4 0-0 9.Bd3 e5 10.0-0 e4 11.Be2 Re8 12.cxd5 cxd5 13.Rc1 5) Semi-Slav: Cambridge Sprin-Cambridge Springs: 7...Bd6 #1 Lifetime Repertoires: Plichta's Queen's 2023]
7...Nxd5N
[7...exd5 8.Bd3 Bd6 9.Qc2 0-0 10.0-0 Re8 11.a3 h6 12.Bh4 Qd8 13.Rae1 Be7 14.Bg3 Nf8 15.h3 Be6 16.Ne5 N6d7 17.f4 Nb6 18.f5 Bd7 19.e4 dxe4 20.Rxe4 Bf6 21.Nxf7 Kxf7 22.Qb3+ 7 Part Chapter-Game Part 4 Chapter 5 Game Ne6 23.Rfe1 Nd5 24.Nxd5 cxd5 25.Qxd5 Bc6 26.fxe6+ Kg8 27.Qf5 Bxe4 28.Bxe4 Qxd4+ 29.Bf2 Qd6 30.Qh7+ Kf8 31.Bg6 Ke7 32.Bxe8 Rxe8 33.Qe4 Rc8 34.Qxb7+ Rc7 35.Qe4 Bxb2 36.Bh4+ g5 37.Qh7+ 1-0 Short,N (2660)-Andersson,U (2635) Keres Memorial Tallinn/Parnu 1998 (9) Kd8 38.Qg8+ Ke7 39.Bf2 Bc3 40.Qf7+ Kd8 41.Qg8+ Ke7 42.Re4 Bd2 43.g3 1 Chapter-Games Chapter 49 Game]
8.Qd2 f6 9.Bh4 Bb4 10.Rc1 0-0 White is slightly better. **11.Bc4** 0.10/19
[11.Bd3± 0.54/18 deserves consideration.]
11...N7b6 12.Bb3 -0.25/21
[12.Bd3 0.16/18 should be considered.]
12...Nxc3= 13.bxc3 Ba3 14.Rc2 -0.65/20
[14.Rb1= 0.01/19]
14...c5∓ 15.Qd3 -1.10/21
[15.dxc5!∓ -0.62/21 Qxc5 16.Nd4]

(Diagram)



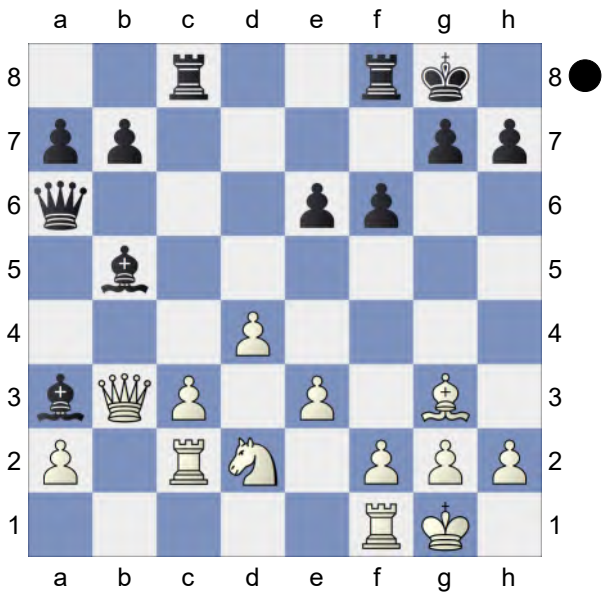
15...c4!∓ 16.Bxc4 Nxc4 17.Qxc4 Bd7! 18.0-0 Rac8 19.Qb3



Qa6 20.Bg3 -1.82/22
[20.c4∓ -1.13/22]
20...Bb5 -1.38/21
[20...Ba4-+ -1.82/22 21.Qxa3 Bxc2 Discovered Attack]
21.Nd2

(Diagram)

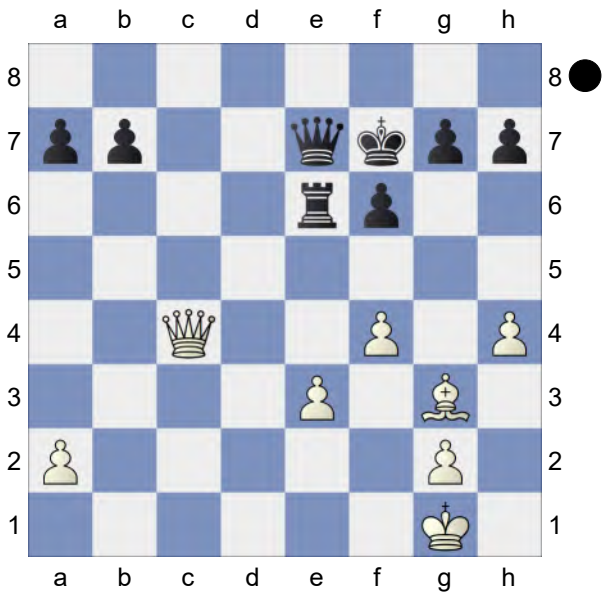
Bxf1 -1.16/22
[Better is 21...Bd3!-+ -1.61/21



22.Rfc1 b5 *(22...Bxc2 23.Rxc2 Rc6 24.c4∓)*]
22.Nxf1 Rc6 23.c4 Rb6↑ Black is in control. **24.Qd3 Rc8** Hoping for ...Rbc6. **25.Nd2 Bb4** White must now prevent ... Bxd2. **26.h4** -2.37/24
[26.Nb3∓ -1.24/23 was worth a try.]
26...Bxd2-+ 27.Qxd2 Rxc4 28.d5 Qa4 Strongly threatening ...Rb1+. **29.Rxc4 Qxc4 30.dxe6 Qxe6** Endgame. KQR-KQB **31.Qd8+ Kf7 32.Qc7+ Qe7 33.Qc4+ Qe6?** 0.01/20
[33...Re6-+ -3.17/22 ...Qd7 would now be deadly. 34.Kh2 Qd7]
34.Qc7+= Qe7? 0.01/19
[34...Kf8-+ -1.76/23 aiming for ...Qe8! 35.Qb8+ Kf7 36.Qc7+]
35.Qc4+! Re6 36.f4

(Diagram)

f5 is the strong threat. **36...b5! 37.Qxb5 Rxe3 38.Bf2 Re2 39.Qh5+ Kg8 40.Qd5+ Qf7 41.Qd8+ Re8 42.Qa5 h6 43.Qa6 Rd8 44.a4 Qc7** Black is clearly winning. **45.Qe6+ Kh8 46.Qe4 a6 47.Kh2 Rc8 48.Qf5 Qc2 49.Qd7 Rc4** Double Attack **50.a5 Rxf4**



[And not 50...Qxf2 51.Qd8+ Kh7 52.Qd3+ Kh8 53.Qd8+ Kh7 54.Qd3+ Kh8 55.Qd8+=]
51.Bg3 Rc4 52.Qd5 Qe4 53.Qd6 Rc2 Weighted Error Value: White=0.36/ Black=0.28 (precise)
0-1

D61

□ **Riumin,Nikolay Nikolaevich**
■ **Bohatirchuk,Fedor Parfenovich**
Moscow (14) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

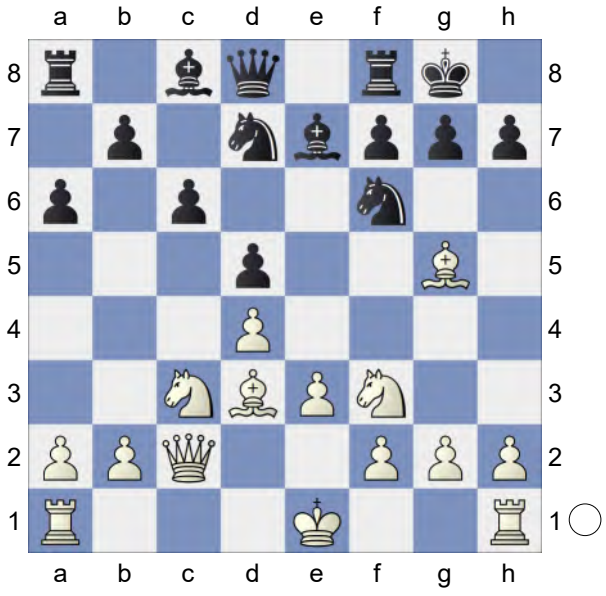
D61: Queen's Gambit Declined: Classical: 7 Qc2 **1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 e6 3.c4**
[3.g3 c5 4.c4 dxc4 5.Bg2 Nc6 6.Qa4 cxd4 7.Nxd4 Qxd4 8.Bxc6+ Bd7 9.Be3 Bxc6 10.Qxc6+ bxc6 11.Bxd4 Bb4+ 12.Kf1 Nf6 13.Kg2 c5 14.Bxf6 gxf6 15.Rc1 Rd8 16.Kf3 Ke7 17.a3 Ba5 0-1 Sulava,N (2526)-Rublevsky,S (2657) EU-ch 2nd Ohrid 2001 (1)]
[3.Bg5 Be7 4.Bxe7 Qxe7 5.c3 Nf6 6.Nbd2 0-0 7.e3 Nbd7 8.Bd3 e5

9.dxe5 Nxe5 10.Nxe5 Qxe5 11.Nf3 Qe7 12.0-0 Bg4 13.Be2 c6 14.Nd4 Bxe2 15.Qxe2 Rfe8 16.Rfe1 h5 17.h3 Qe5 10) Queen⇗s Gambit Declined-Terry,R 1… e6 Against Everything 2024]

3...a6 4.cxd5 exd5 5.Nc3N

[5.g3 Nf6 6.Bg2 Bd6 7.0-0 0-0 8.Nc3 Re8 9.Bg5 c6 10.Qc2 h6 11.Bxf6 Qxf6 12.e4 dxe4 13.Nxe4 Qd8 14.Nxd6 Qxd6 15.Rfe1 Rd8 16.Rad1 Be6 17.Ne5 Nd7 18.Nc4 Qb4 19.b3 Nf6 0-1 Zhu,Y (1848)-Garcia Sanjuan,J (2438) 89/89 Wijk aan Zee 2004 (1) 20.Qd2 a5 21.Ne3 Qb6 22.Qc3 a4 23.Nc4 Qc7 24.Ne3 Qb6 25.Nc4 Qa7 26.b4 a3 27.Na5 Nd5 28.Bxd5 Rxd5 29.Nb3 b6 30.Rxe6 fxe6 31.Qxc6 Rad8 32.Qxe6+ Kh8 33.Re1 R5d6 34.Qf5 Rf6 0-1 Johannessen,T (1848)-Tica,S (2438) Split op 12th 2023 (1)]

5...Nf6 6.Bg5 Be7 7.e3 Nbd7 8.Bd3 c6 9.Qc2 0-0



10.g4 -0.03/18 **Re8 11.Bxf6 Nxf6 12.g5** The position is equal. **12...Ne4 13.Nxe4 dxe4 14.Bxe4 Qa5+ 15.Ke2 Bxg5 16.Bxh7+ Kf8** ...g6 would now be deadly. **17.h4 Bf6 18.Rag1**

[18.h5 with more complications. Bg4 19.Rag1 Bxh5 20.Qf5]

18...Qxa2 0.59/21

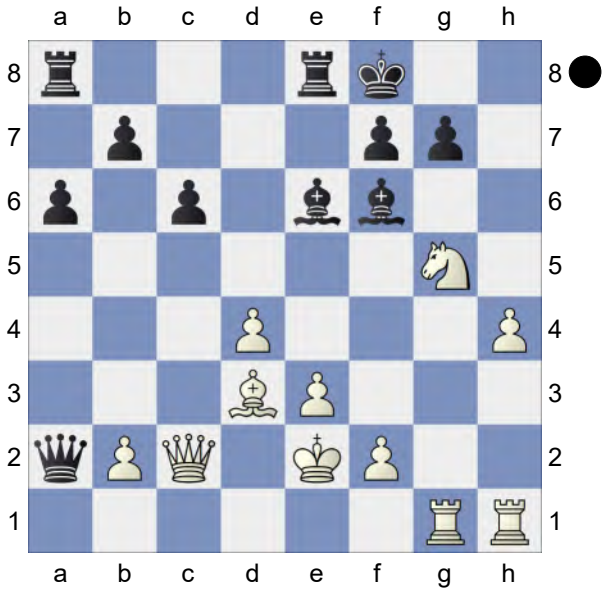
[18...Qh5!= -0.04/20]

19.Bd3 1.00/19

[19.h5± 0.59/21]

19...Be6± 20.Ng5 -0.55/19

[Better is 20.h5± 0.83/20]



20...Bxd4!∓ 21.Nxe6+

[21.Nh7+? Kg8 22.Ng5 Bb3-+ *(22...Bxb2? 23.Nxe6 Rxe6 24.Bc4+-)*]

[21.h5 Bb3]

21...Qxe6 22.Bc4 Qe7 0.01/21

[22...Qh6!∓ -0.88/20 Threatens to win with ...Rxe3+! 23.Rg5 Rad8]

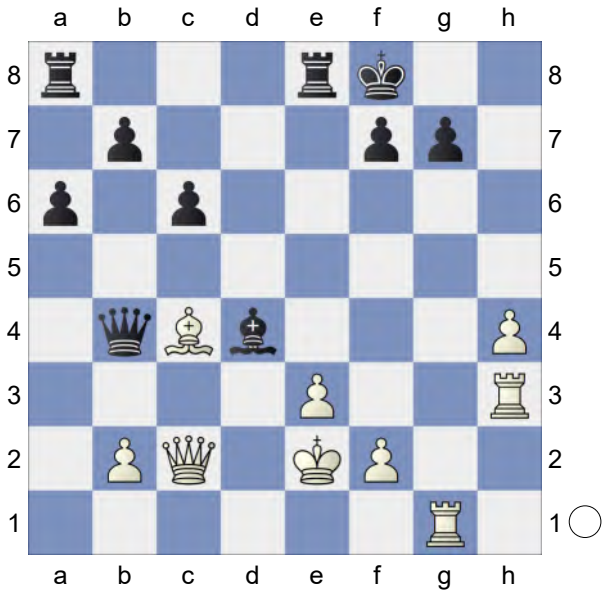
23.Rh3 -0.61/19

[23.Qh7= 0.01/21 Qc5 *(23...Bxb2 24.Qh8#)* 24.b3]

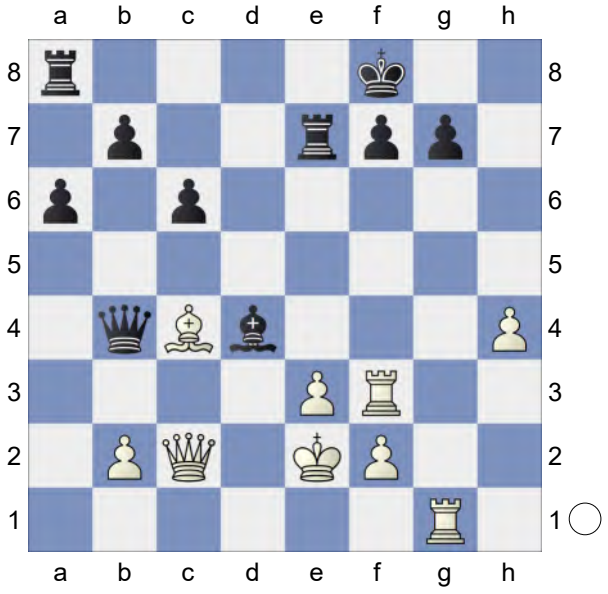
23...Qb4? 1.26/22

[23...Bf6!∓ -0.61/19 stays ahead. 24.h5 Qe4]

(Diagram)



24.Rf3!↑ White has strong compensation. White has strong initiative. **24...Re7** 3.73/22
[24...Qxb2 25.Rxf7+ Kg8 26.Rfxg7+ Kh8 27.Rh7#]
[24...Bf6± 1.46/22]



Loses the game. **25.b3!+- Rd8 26.Qg6 Rdd7?** 6.23/22
[26...Bf6 27.Rxf6 Rd2+ 28.Kf3+-]
[26...Rd5 2.90/22 27.Qh7 *(27.Bxd5 cxd5 28.Rg4* Pin *Qb6+-)* 27...Re8]
27.Qh7 Re8 28.Rg4? 2.45/26
[28.Rd1 6.35/23 Qd6 29.Kf1 *(29.Qh8+ Ke7+-)*]
28...Bc3 6.77/25
[28...Qd6 2.45/26 29.Rxd4 *(29.Qh8+ Ke7=)* 29...Qxd4 30.Qh8+ Ke7 31.Qxe8+ *(31.Rxf7+?* loses. *Kd8-+)* 31...Kxe8 32.exd4 b5]
29.Qh8+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.61/Black=0.70
1-0

C07

□ **Romanovsky,Peter Arsenievich**
■ **Lilienthal,Andor**
Moscow (14) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

C07: French Tarrasch: 3...c5, 4 Ngf3 and 4 exd5 Qxd5 **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 c5 4.dxc5 Bxc5 5.Bd3 Nf6 6.e5**
[6.Qe2 Nc6 7.Ngf3 Qc7 *(7...0-0 8.0-0 h6 9.e5 Nd7 10.Nb3 Bb6 11.Bf4 f6 12.c4 fxe5 13.Nxe5 Rxf4 14.Nxc6 bxc6 15.Qxe6+ Kh8 16.Qxc6 Ba6 17.Qg6 Nf8 18.Qg3 Bc7 19.Rad1 Bxc4 20.Bxc4 Rxc4 21.Qf3 Qd6 22.g3* 0-1 Shanava,K (2474)-Eren,A (2330) Ayvalik Walnut 2023 (6.1)*)* 8.0-0 dxe4 9.Nxe4 Be7 10.Nxf6+ Bxf6 11.Qe4 Bd7 12.Bf4 Qb6 13.Rab1 Ne7 14.Ne5 Bc6 15.Nxc6 Qxc6 16.Qe2 0-0 17.c4 a5 18.Be4 Qa6 19.Rfd1 Rfd8 20.Rxd8+ Rxd8 ½-½ Kaminski,M (2540)-Psakhis,L (2565) Rubinstein mem 34th Polanica Zdroj 1997 (4)]
6...Nfd7 7.Qg4 Bf8N
[7...Nxe5 8.Qxg7 Nxd3+ 9.cxd3 Rf8 10.Ngf3 Nd7 11.Qxh7 Qf6 12.Qh4 Qg6 13.d4 Be7 14.Qf4 Qxg2 15.Rg1 Qh3 16.Nb3 b6 17.Bd2 Ba6 18.Rc1 Bd6 19.Qg4 Qh7 20.Ng5

Qxh2 21.Rg2 Nf6 22.Rxh2 0-1 Feldman-Botvinnik,M Trade Union Leningrad 1931 Nxg4 23.Rh4 Nf6 24.f4 Ke7 25.Kf2 Rh8 26.Rch1 Rxh4 27.Rxh4 Rc8 28.Bc3 Bd3 29.Nd2 b5 30.Ndf3 b4 31.Be1 Rc2+ 32.Kg3 Rxb2 33.Ne5 Ne4+ 34.Nxe4 Bxe4 0-1 Ianov,V-Shevelev,A corr MS-281 BdF-Schachserver 2018]

8.f4 The position is equal. **8...Nc6 9.Nb3 Nb4 10.Ne2 Qb6** Wards off Be3 **11.Qg3 Nxd3+ 12.Qxd3 Nc5 13.Nxc5 Bxc5 14.c3 Bd7 15.Nd4 Rc8 16.Rf1** -0.91/19

[16.b3∓ -0.46/19 is superior.]

16...0-0∓ 17.a4 Bxd4 18.Qxd4 White is weak on the light squares **18...Qxd4 19.cxd4 Rc2 20.Rf2 Rfc8 21.Rxc2 Rxc2** Endgame. KRB-KRB **22.Bd2 Rxb2 23.Rc1 Bc6**

[Inferior is 23...Bxa4 24.Rc8+]

24.a5 Ra2 25.g4 Kf8 26.h4 Ke7 27.h5 g6 28.hxg6 hxg6 29.g5 -0.92/24

[29.Ke2∓ -0.44/21]

29...Kd7 30.Rb1 Ra3 -0.68/27

[Better is 30...Kc7∓ -1.06/24 31.Ke2 b6]

31.Ke2 Rh3 32.Rb2 -1.09/24

[32.Kf2∓ -0.70/25]

32...Kc7 33.Rb1 Ba4 34.Rc1+ Kd7 35.Rb1

(Diagram)

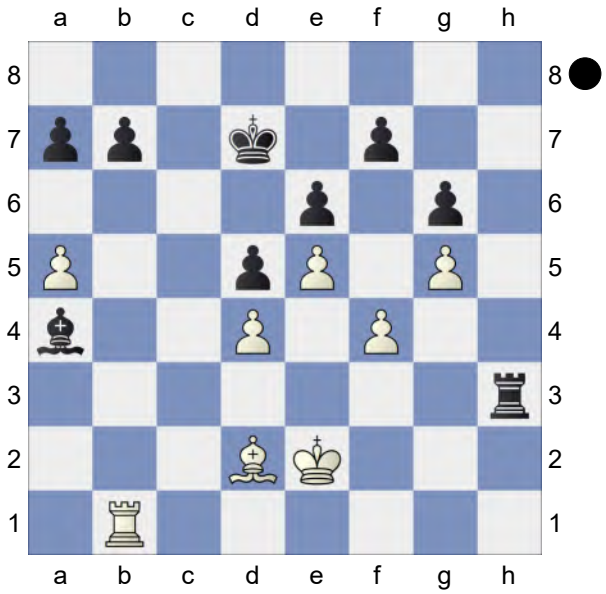
Wards off Bb5+ **35...Bb3! 36.Rb2** -1.78/22

[36.Bb4∓ -1.22/21 was worth a try.]

36...Kc6-+ 37.Be3 -2.26/24

[⌓37.Rb1 -1.63/20]

37...Rh2+ Skewer **38.Bf2 Bc4+ 39.Kf3 Bd3** Inhibits Rb1. **40.Kg3 Rh1 41.Be3 Be4 42.Rb3 Ra1 43.Rc3+** -2.08/23



[43.Bd2∓ -1.50/24 is a better defense.]

43...Kd7 44.Rb3 Kc8 -1.11/24

[44...Rxa5-+ -1.78/23 Strongly threatening ...b5. 45.Rxb7+ Kc8 *(45...Ke8 46.Bd2∓)* 46.Rxf7 Ra3]

45.Bd2∓ Black is better. **45...Ra2 46.Bb4 Ra4 47.Kf2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.14 (very precise) / Black=0.12 (very precise)

½-½

B63

□ **Goglidze,Victor Arsentievich**
■ **Pirc,Vasja**
Moscow (14) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

B66: Sicilian: Richter-Rauzer: 7...a6 8 0-0-0 h6 **1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.Bg5 e6 7.Qd2 Be7 8.0-0-0 a6 9.Bxf6 gxf6 10.f4 Bd7 11.f5N**

[11.Be2 Nxd4 12.Qxd4 Qa5 13.Bf3 Qc5 14.Qd2 h5 15.Rhe1 0-0-0 16.Re3 Kb8 17.Ne2 Rc8 18.Nd4 h4 19.Kb1 Rc7 20.Rc3 Qb6 21.Rxc7

Qxc7 22.f5 Classical Sicilian,E-Be7 Lifetime Repertoires: Giri's 1. e4 - 2023]
[11.Kb1 b5 12.Nxc6 Bxc6 13.Bd3 b4 14.Ne2 Qb6 15.f5 e5 16.Ng3 h5 17.Qe2 h4 18.Nh5 Qc5 19.g4 hxg3 20.hxg3 Kd7 21.g4 Kc7 22.Rh3 Nowroozian,N (2700)-Sanjuan Garcia, M (2575) Seville op Sevilla 1989]
[11.Nxc6 Bxc6 12.Bc4 b5 13.Bb3 a5 14.a4 b4 15.Ne2 Bxe4 16.Ng3 Bc6 17.f5 e5 18.Rhe1 Qd7 19.Ne4 Bxa4 20.Qd5 0-0 21.g4 Bxb3 22.Qxb3 a4 23.Qg3 a3 24.Rd3 a2 25.Kd2 a1Q 1 Chapter B50-Games Chapter B50 Game]

11...Nxd4 White is slightly better.

12.Qxd4 Qa5 13.fxe6 0.10/20
[13.Bc4± 0.57/17]

13...fxe6= 14.Bc4 0-0-0 15.Kb1 Kb8 16.Ne2 Rc8 17.Bb3 0.01/19
[17.Qd3± 0.43/19]

17...Qg5 18.Qf2 Rc5 19.Nf4 Re5 20.Rhe1! f5! 21.exf5 Rxf5 22.g3
[22.Bxe6? Rxf4 23.Qe3 Bc6-+]

22...e5 23.Qe3 -0.54/22
[23.Qe2± 0.31/20]

23...Bc6⇄ 0.07/22 Black is not holding back
[23...Re8∓ -0.54/22 24.Nd5 Qxe3 25.Nxe3 Rf2]

24.Nd5 -0.65/22
[24.Bd5= 0.07/22 Bxd5 *(24...exf4 25.gxf4 Qxf4 26.Bxc6±)* 25.Nxd5]

24...Qxe3∓ 25.Rxe3 -1.01/21
[25.Nxe3∓ -0.49/22 Rf2 26.Bd5]

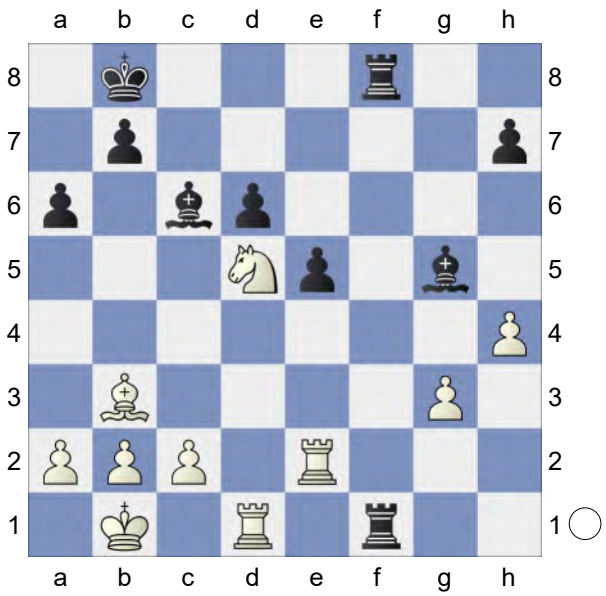
25...Bg5∓ A strong pair of Bishops.

26.Re2 Rhf8 Strongly threatening ...Rf1.

27.h4 Rf1

(Diagram)

28.c4 Bd8 29.Kc1 R1f3 30.Nb4



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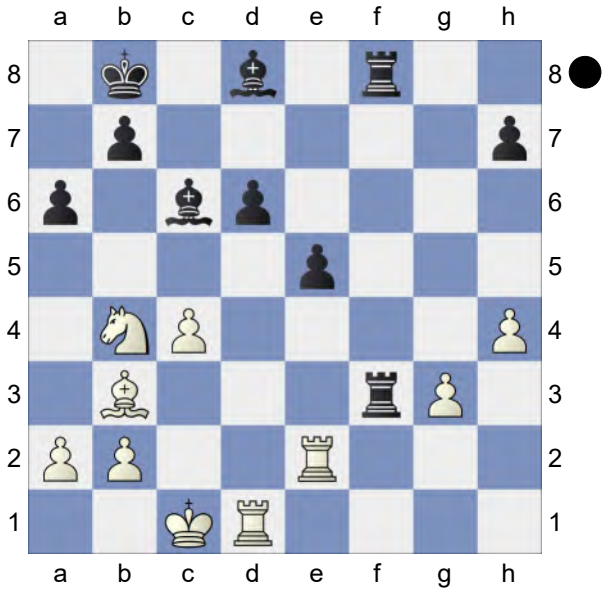
[30.Rg2∓ -1.29/19 was called for.]



30...Kc7? -0.16/21
[30...Rxg3 31.Nxc6+ bxc6 32.Rxd6∓]
[Black should try 30...Bd7!-+ -2.71/20 31.Rh2 *(31.Rxd6? Bg4-+)* 31...Ba5 *(31...Rxg3 32.Rxd6 Bg4 33.Rh1-+)* 32.Rxd6 Bg4 *(32...Bxb4 33.Rxd7 Rxg3 34.Re2=)*]

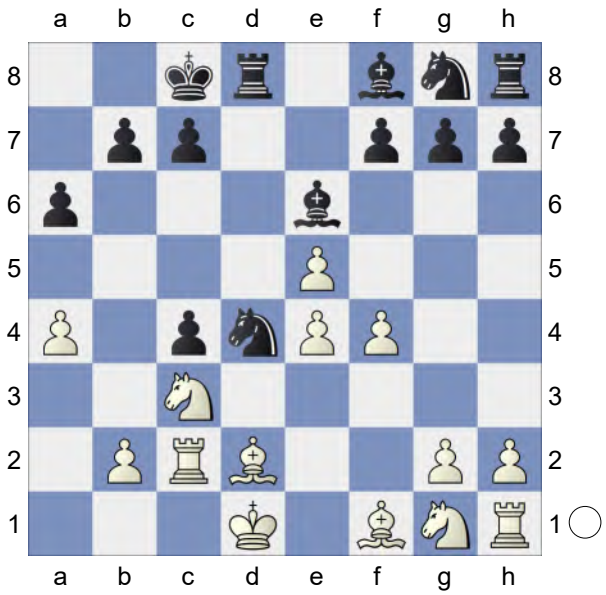
31.Nxc6 -0.52/22
[31.c5!= -0.16/21 deserves

consideration.]
31...Kxc6 0.10/20
[31...bxc6∓ -0.52/22 32.Rg2 R8f7]
32.c5= dxc5? 4.26/21
[32...Kxc5= -0.13/20 and Black stays safe. 33.Rg2 *(33.Rc2+ Kb6=)* 33...R3f6]
33.Bd5++- White is clearly winning.
[And not 33.Rxe5 Rxg3 34.Rh5 Rg7∓]
33...Kc7 34.Bxf3
[Worse is 34.Rxe5 Rxg3 35.Be4 Rg4= *(35...Bxh4 36.Rxc5+ Kb6 37.Rcd5∓)*]
34...Rxf3 35.Rxe5 Rxg3 36.Rxc5+ Kb6 37.Rh5 Weighted Error Value: White=0.23 (precise) /Black=0.54
1-0

D20

□ **Capablanca,Jose Raul**
■ **Rabinovich,Ilya Leontievich**
Moscow (14) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D20: Queen's Gambit Accepted: 3 e3 and 3 e4 **1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.Nc3 a6 4.a4 e5 5.dxe5 Qxd1+ 6.Kxd1 Be6** Against Nd5 **7.f4! Nc6** And now ... 0-0-0+ would win. **8.e4** Black is slightly better. **8...0-0-0+ 9.Bd2N**
[9.Kc2 Nd4+ 10.Kb1 f5 11.exf6 gxf6 12.f5 Bf7 13.a5 Nb3 14.Ra4 Nc5 15.Rxc4 Bxc4 16.Bxc4 Ne7 17.Nf3 Nc6 18.Ba2 Bd6 ½-½ Dumpor,A (2335)-Jacoby,G (2305) Salgotarjan Open 1985 (10)]
9...Nd4 10.Rc1 -1.29/20
[10.Nf3∓ -0.64/18 Bg4 11.Bxc4 Nxf3 *(11...Bxf3+ 12.gxf3 Nxf3* Discovered Attack *13.Ke2=)* 12.gxf3 Bxf3+ 13.Kc2 Bxh1 14.Rxh1]
10...Nb3∓ 11.Rc2 Nd4 0.19/20
[Better is 11...g6∓ -1.51/19 Strongly threatening ...Ne7. 12.h4 Nh6]



12.Rc1 -1.25/20
[12.f5= 0.19/20 remains equal. Bd7 *(12...Nxc2 13.Kxc2 Bd7 14.Bxc4=)* 13.Bxc4]
12...Nb3 0.01/28 Weighted Error Value: White=0.44/Black=0.53
[Black should play 12...g6∓ -1.25/20 13.Nf3 Nb3]
½-½

C49

□ **Bohatirchuk,Fedor Parfenovich**
■ **Botvinnik,Mikhail**
Moscow (15) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

C49: Four Knights: 4 Bb5 Bb4 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bb5 Bb4 5.0-0 0-0 6.d3 d6 7.Bg5 Bxc3 8.bxc3 Qe7 9.Re1 a6 10.Bc4**
[10.Bxc6 bxc6 11.Nd2 h6 12.Bh4 Qe6 13.Nc4 Nh7 14.Ne3 Qg6

15.Qf3 Ng5 16.Bxg5 Qxg5 17.Rab1 g6 18.a3 h5 19.Qg3 Qf6 20.h4 Kh7 21.c4 Bd7 22.Rb7 Rfb8 23.Reb1 Rxb7 24.Rxb7 Qd8 1-0 Csom,E (2478)-11.Ng6 hg6 12.Rd1 (2519) USSR 24/161 1977]

10...Na5 11.Nd2N

[11.Bb3 h6 12.Bc1 c5 13.a4 Bd7 14.Ba3 Bc6 15.Nd2 Qc7 16.f4 exf4 17.Qf3 Nxb3 18.cxb3 d5 19.e5 d4 20.Qe2 Rfe8 21.cxd4 cxd4 22.Bd6 Qd7 23.Qf2 Nd5 24.Qxd4 Ne3 25.Rxe3 fxe3 0-1 Brenco,M (1615)-Metaxas,P (1846) Russian Team Ch Ekaterinburg 2002 (3)]

11...h6 The position is equal. **12.Bh4 Be6**

[12...g5!? 13.Bg3□ Re8=]

13.Bb3 Nxb3

[13...c5 is interesting. 14.d4 cxd4 15.cxd4 Rfc8]

14.axb3 g5 15.Bg3 Ne8 16.d4 f6 17.Nf1 Ng7 18.c4 Rad8 19.Ne3 Qf7 20.Re2 Qg6 21.f3 Rd7 1.00/18

[21...h5± 0.35/19]

22.Rd2 0.26/21

[White should try 22.d5± 1.00/18 Bf7 23.c5]

22...exd4!= 23.Rxd4 Re7 0.68/18

[23...f5 0.31/23 deserves consideration. 24.exf5 Bxf5]

24.Be1 f5 25.Bc3 Rfe8 26.Qd3 Bc8 0.68/19

[26...f4= 0.29/20 27.Nd5 Rd7]

27.Rf1 0.01/20

[White should play 27.Qd2± 0.68/19]

27...fxe4 1.33/21

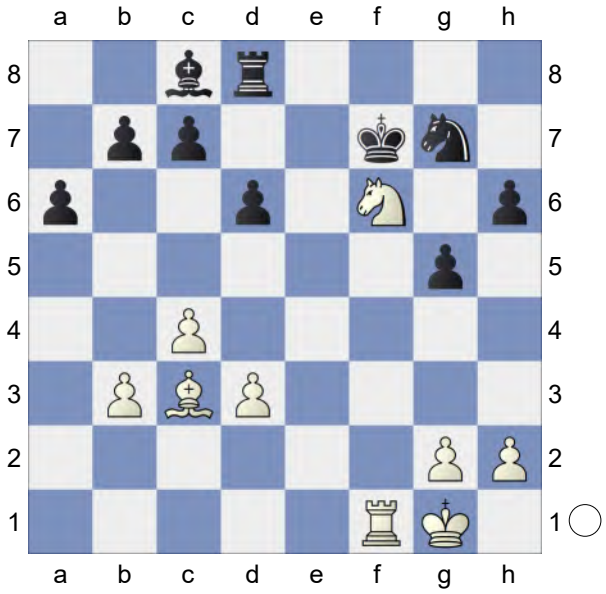
[27...f4= 0.01/20 keeps the balance. 28.Nd5 Rf7]

28.Rxe4± Rxe4 29.fxe4 Qxe4 30.Nd5 Qxd3 31.Nf6+!

[31.cxd3 Nh5+-]

31...Kf7 32.cxd3 Rd8 3.30/22

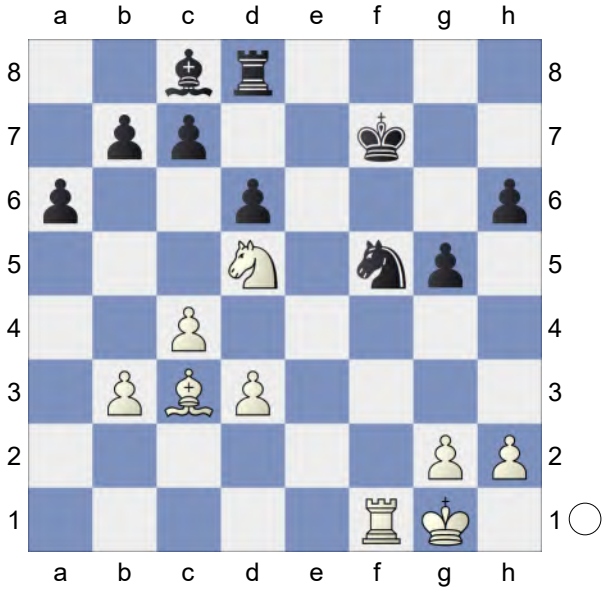
[32...Re2± 0.92/22 is a better defense.]



A mistake that costs the game.

33.Nd5+!+- Discovered Attack (Check)

33...Nf5



34.g4 Pin

[34.Nxc7 h5±]

34...Re8

[Much worse is 34...c6 35.Nb6+- *(35.Rxf5+? too greedy. Bxf5 36.gxf5 cxd5-+; 35.gxf5 cxd5 36.cxd5 Re8∓)*]

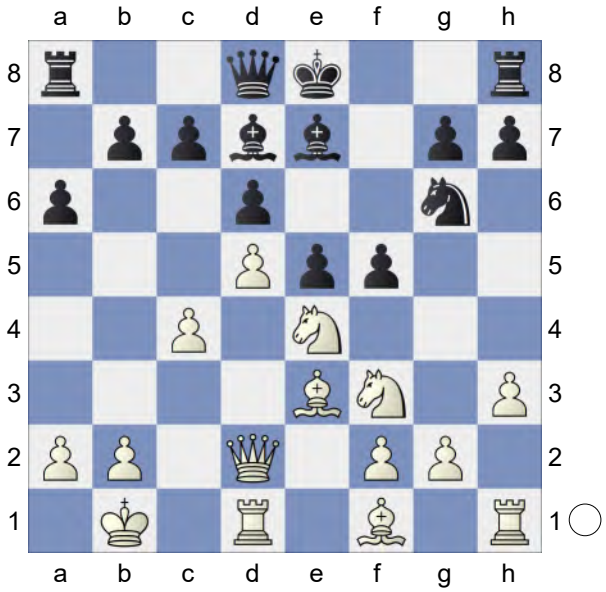
35.gxf5 Re2 36.Rf3 Rc2 37.Be1 g4

38.Rf1 Weighted Error Value: White=0.17 (very precise) /Black=0.34
1-0

A41

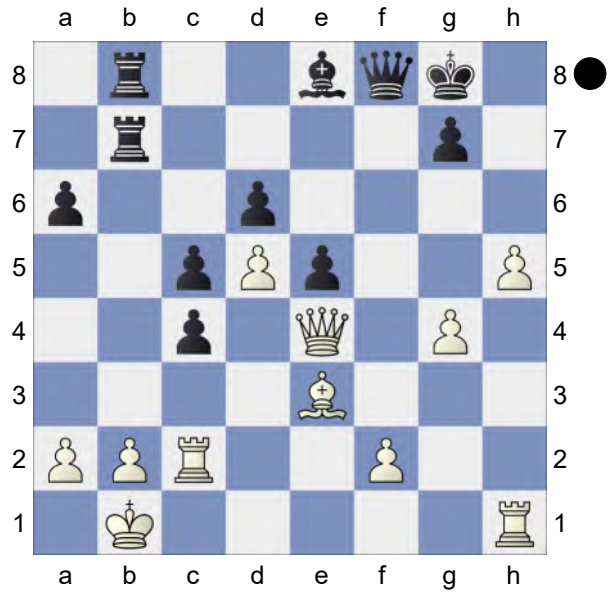
□ **Chekhover,Vitaly**
■ **Riumin,Nikolay Nikolaevich**
Moscow (15) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A41: 1 d4 d6: Tartakower System and Modern Defence **1.c4 e5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.Nf3**
[3.g3 Bb4 *(3...f5 4.Bg2 Nf6 5.e3 d6 6.Nge2 Be7 7.0-0 0-0 8.d4 Qe8 9.b3 Nd8 10.Qc2 c6 11.Rd1 Bd7 12.Bb2 e4 13.d5 Nf7 14.Nf4 Qc8 15.h3 Re8 16.Rd2 Bf8 17.Qd1 c5 18.a4* ½-½ Pogan,N (2021)-Urquhart,J (2252) Toulouse Petit Capitole op 2015 *)* 4.Bg2 Bxc3 5.dxc3 Nge7 6.Nf3 d6 7.e4 Bg4 8.Qc2 0-0 9.0-0 Ng6 10.Be3 f5 11.exf5 Bxf5 12.Qd2 Be4 13.Ne1 Bxg2 14.Nxg2 Qd7 15.Rad1 Rae8 16.f4 Qg4 17.c5 exf4 ½-½ Hoelldorfer,A (2275)-Sanchez Alvarez,E (2505) (m/4) 17/314 Augusta 1974]
3...d6N
[3...Nf6 4.g3 g6 *(4...d5 5.cxd5 Nxd5 6.Bg2 Nb6 7.d3 Be7 8.Be3 0-0 9.Rc1 f5 10.Na4 e4 11.Qb3+ Kh8 12.dxe4 fxe4 13.Nd2 Nd4 14.Qd1 Nf5* A 29/15 2000*)* 5.Bg2 Bg7 6.0-0 0-0 7.d3 d6 8.b3 Re8 9.Re1 h6 10.Bb2 Be6 11.Rc1 Qd7 12.a3 a5 13.Nb5 Rac8 14.e4 Bh3 15.d4 Bxg2 16.Kxg2 exd4 17.Nbxd4 Nxe4 0-1 Livanez-Litvin,A (2425) (m/1) 96/87 Khanty Mansiysk 2005]
[3...Bb4 4.Qc2 Nf6 5.Nd5 Nd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd5 7.Nf5 Nf6 8.Nxg7+ Kf8 9.Nf5 d6 10.g3 Bxf5 11.Qxf5 Qd7 12.Qxf6 1-0 Summers,M-Schultz,M Bernard Partridge Memorial #04 corr 1995]
4.d4 Bg4 5.d5 Nce7 6.e4 Ng6 7.h3 Bd7 8.Be3 Nf6 9.Qd2 0.52/18
[Better is 9.a4± 0.88/17]
9...Be7± 10.0-0-0 a6 11.Kb1 Nxe4 0.84/20 **12.Nxe4±** g4 is the strong threat. **12...f5**

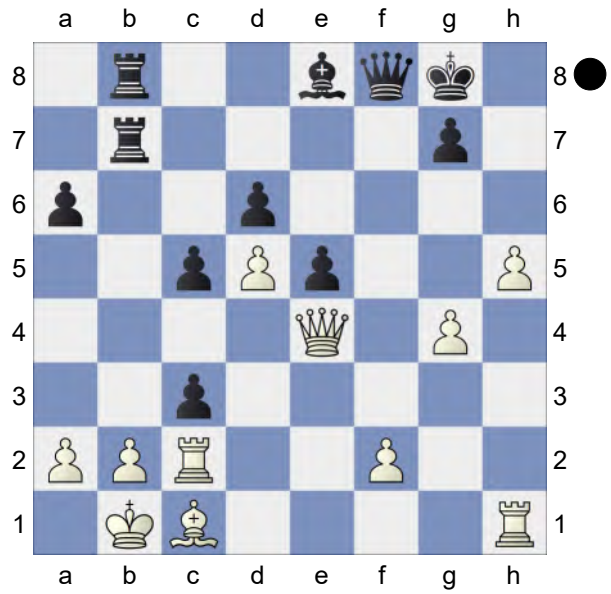


13.Bd3! fxe4 14.Bxe4 0-0 15.Qc2 Qc8 16.g4 Inhibits Bf5. White is more active. **16...c5 17.Ng5 Bxg5 18.Bxg5 Rf7** 1.34/20
[18...Qe8± 0.64/21]
19.Be3 0.64/19
[19.f3± 1.34/20]
19...b5± 20.Bxg6 0.01/20
[20.b4± 0.69/19]
20...hxg6= 21.Qxg6 Qf8 22.h4 bxc4 23.Rc1 -0.31/20
[23.h5= 0.18/19]
23...Rb8∓ 24.h5 Be8 25.Qe4 -0.86/21
[25.Rxc4? Rxf2 *(25...Rxb2+? 26.Kxb2 Rb7+* Discovered Attack *27.Ka1-+)* 26.Qe6+ Bf7 27.Bxf2 Bxe6 28.dxe6 Qxf2-+]
[25.Qe6= -0.26/22]

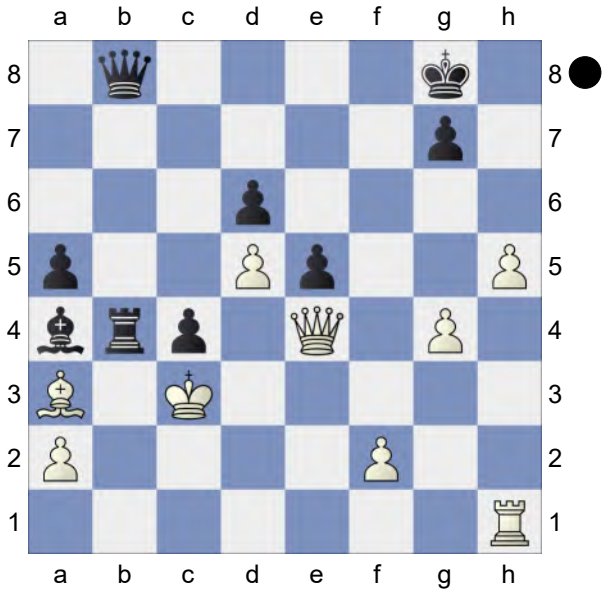
25...Rfb7∓ 26.Rc2



c3 -0.44/21 **27.Bc1** -1.91/19
[27.b3!∓ -0.44/21]



27...Rb4 -1.01/19
[27...cxb2!-+ -1.91/19 28.Bxb2 Rb4]
28.Qg2 cxb2 29.Rxb2 c4 -1.18/22
[29...Rxb2+-+ -1.66/21 30.Bxb2 Qf4]
30.Rxb4 Rxb4+ 31.Kc2? -5.88/19
[31.Ka1∓ -1.08/21 nothing else works.]
31...Ba4+-+ 32.Kc3 Qb8 33.Qe4 a5 Threatens to win with ...Rb2!
[33...Rb1 34.Ba3 Rxh1 35.Qxh1=]
34.Ba3



Rb2? -0.16/23 **35.Bxd6=** The position is equal.
[35.Bxb2? Qb4#]
35...Qb6 36.Bc5! Deflection. Dancing on a razor blade. **36...Qxc5 37.Kxb2 Qb4+ 38.Ka1 Qc3+** Weighted Error Value: White=0.59/Black=0.26 (precise)
½-½

E33

□ **Flohr,Salo**
■ **Romanovsky,Peter Arsenievich**
Moscow (15) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

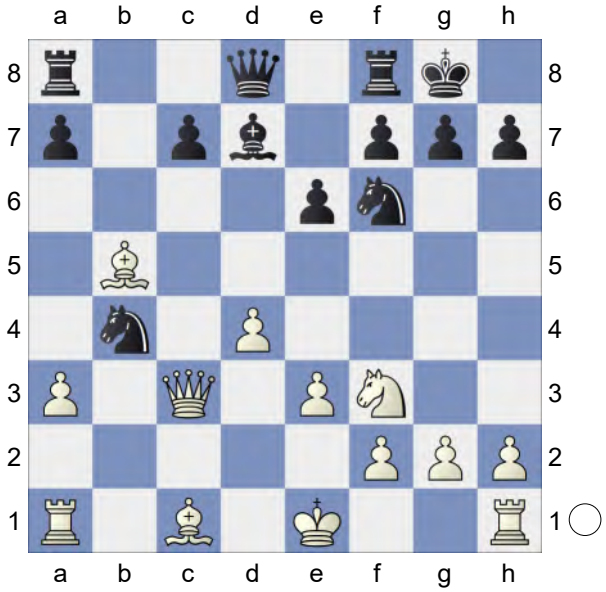
E33: Nimzo-Indian: Classical: 4...Nc6 Dreev,Alexey: 'Dreev,A: 'Inf 71/555'' **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Qc2 Nc6**
[4...0-0 5.a3 Bxc3+ 6.Qxc3 b6 7.Nf3 *(7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Bb7 9.f3 g5 10.Bf2 d5 11.e3 Nbd7 12.Bd3 c5 13.Ne2 cxd4 14.exd4 dxc4 15.Bxc4 Rc8 16.Qd3 Kg7 17.0-0 Qe7 18.Rfe1 Rfd8 19.Ng3 Qd6 20.Rad1 Bd5 21.Ba6 Rc7* 1-0 Cubas,J (1951)-

Palliser,R (1712) Munich SKA 1993 (9)) 7...Bb7 8.e3 d6 9.b4 Nbd7 10.Bb2 c5 11.Be2 Qe7 12.0-0 Rfc8 13.dxc5 dxc5 14.Rfd1 Ne8 15.b5 f6 16.a4 a5 17.bxa6 Rxa6 18.a5 Rca8 19.Qd2 ½-½ Hantel,T (2809)-Id2 (2690) DSEM 30 Apolda 1996 (2.1)]

5.e3N

[5.Nf3 d5 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bxf6 Qxf6 8.e3 0-0 9.a3 Bxc3+ 10.Qxc3 Re8 11.Rc1 Bd7 12.cxd5 exd5 13.Be2 Nd8 14.Ne5 Bf5 15.g4 Be4 16.f3 Bh7 17.Qxc7 Nc6 18.Nxc6 bxc6 19.Rc3 Re7 Nimzo Indian-4.Qc2 Nc6 5.Nf3 Survey 2006 20.Qxc6 Qxc6 21.Rxc6 Rxe3 22.Kf2 Rb3 23.Rhc1 g5 24.Rc8+ Rxc8 25.Rxc8+ Kg7 26.Rc5 Rxb2 27.Ke1 Rb1+ 28.Kd2 Rb2+ 29.Kd1 Rb1+ 30.Kd2 Rb2+ 31.Ke1 Rb1+ 32.Kf2 Rb2 Dreev,A (2640)-Zvjaginsev,V (2635) (m/1) 71/555 Groningen 1997]

5...d5 6.Nf3 0-0 7.a3 Bxc3+ 8.Qxc3 Bd7 9.b4 dxc4 10.Bxc4 b5 0.98/19 **11.Bxb5±** White is better. **11...Nxb4**



Discovered Attack **12.Bxd7**

[12.Qxb4?! Rb8=]

12...Nbd5 Excellent horsemanship.

13.Qc2 Nxd7 14.e4 Ne7 1.35/22

[⌓14...N5f6 0.77/22]

15.0-0 Rc8 16.Be3 c6 17.Rfc1 Kh8 1.68/20

[17...h6± 1.26/21 might work better. 18.h3 Ng6]

18.Qe2 h6 19.Ne5 0.80/21

[White should play 19.h3 1.40/19]

19...f6 1.23/20

[⌓19...f5 0.80/21]

20.Nd3 White is much more active.

20...Qe8 21.Bf4 Qf7 1.94/21 Black is weak on the dark squares

[21...Rf7± 1.43/19]

22.Rab1+- Nb6 23.a4 Rfd8 2.85/23

[23...Nxa4 1.92/20 is a better defense. 24.Ra1 Nb6 25.Rxa7 Rcd8]

24.a5 Na8 25.Rb7 Repels Nc7

25...Rxd4 26.Nc5

[26.Rxa7 Rdd8 27.Rb7 *(27.a6 Qe8+-)* 27...Qf8+-]

26...e5 27.Be3 Rdd8 28.Rxa7 Threatens to win with Na6. **28...Nc7 29.h3 Nb5 30.Rb7 Nd6 31.Rb2 Nb5 32.Rd2 f5 33.f3 fxe4 34.fxe4 Ng6 35.Qg4** Hoping for Rf2. **35...Kh7 36.Rf2 Qe7 37.Rcf1** 1.23/22

[White should try 37.a6+- 2.27/21]

37...Rf8? 3.96/24

[37...Nf4± 1.23/22 38.Bxf4 exf4 39.Qf5+ *(39.Ne6 Re8±)* 39...g6 40.Qxf4 Qxc5 41.Qf7+ Deflection Kh8]

38.Qe6 1.90/23

[⌓38.Rxf8 3.96/24 Rxf8 39.Rxf8 Qxf8 40.a6]

38...Qxe6 39.Nxe6 Rxf2 40.Rxf2

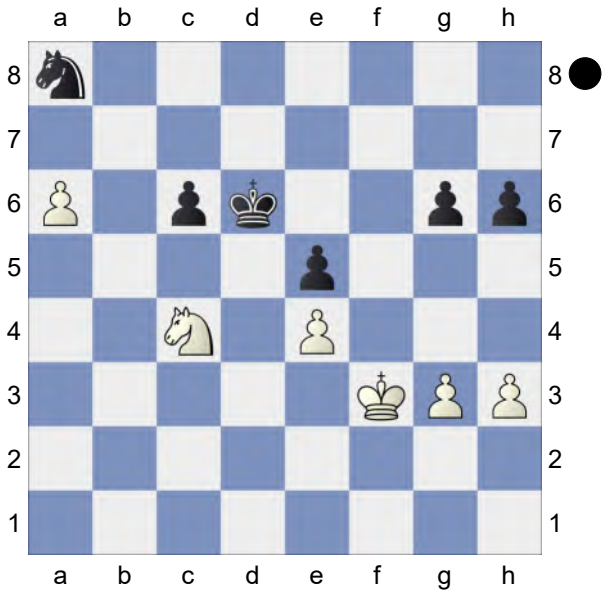
[Don't do 40.Bxf2?! Kg8 41.Rd1 *(41.a6 Kf7+-)* 41...Kf7+-]

[Don't take 40.Kxf2 Re8+-]

40...Re8 ...Nd6! would now be deadly.

41.Nc5 Ra8 42.a6 Kg8 43.Ra2

aiming for Nd7. **43...Nf8** 3.85/24
[⌓43...Kf7 2.49/23 44.Ra5 Nf4]
44.Bf2 2.17/23
[⌓44.Nd3 3.85/24]
44...Kf7 45.Bg3 Ng6 2.29/23
[45...Ne6± 1.27/23 46.Bf2 Ke7]
46.Rd2 Ra7 47.Rd7+ Rxd7 48.Nxd7 Endgame. KBN-KNN **48...Ke6 49.Nc5+ Kd6 50.Bf2 Nc7?** 3.29/25
[50...Nf4 1.78/25 was worth a try. 51.Nb7+ Kc7]
51.g3 Na8 52.Kg2 Ne7 53.Kf3 g6 54.Nd3 Nc8 55.Bc5+ Ke6 56.Nb2 Nd6 57.Bxd6 Kxd6 KN-KN **58.Nc4+**



Deflection **58...Kc5 59.Nxe5 Kb6 60.Nxg6 Kxa6 61.e5 Kb7 62.Ke4 Kc7 63.Kf5** 2.45/25
[⌓63.Ne7 4.68/24]
63...Kd7 3.89/26
[⌓63...c5 2.45/25 64.Nf4 Nb6]
64.e6+ Ke8? 7.29/28
[64...Kd6 3.40/25 65.Kf6 Nc7]
65.Ne5 White is clearly winning. **65...c5 66.Nd7** Black must now prevent Nf6+. **66...c4 67.Nf6+ Kf8 68.Nd5** Kf6 is the strong threat. **68...Kg7 69.Ke4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.30/Black=0.32
1-0

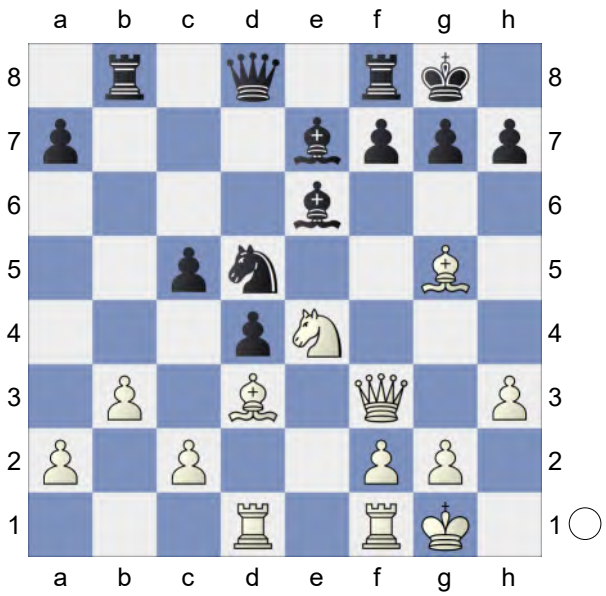
C47

□ **Kan,Ilia Abramovich**
■ **Goglidze,Victor Arsentievich**
Moscow (15) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

C47: Scotch Four Knights and Four Knights with 4 g3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.d4 exd4 5.Nxd4 Bb4 6.Nxc6 bxc6 7.Bd3 d5 8.exd5 cxd5 9.0-0 0-0 10.Bg5 Be6 11.Qf3 Be7 12.h3 Rb8**
[12...h6 13.Bf4 c6 14.Rad1 Bd6 15.Ne2 Rb8 16.b3 Bxf4 17.Qxf4 Nh5 18.Qe5 Qg5 ½-½ Renjith,S (2123)-Bayaca,S (2125) Gold Coast op 2023 (4)]
13.b3 c5N
[13...h6 14.Bh4 Rb4 15.Bg3 Bd6 16.a3 Rb7 17.Rfe1 Re8 18.Bb5 Rf8 19.Bd3 Re8 20.Bb5 Rf8 21.Rad1 Rb6 22.a4 Bxg3 23.Qxg3 Rd6 24.Bd3 a6 25.Ne2 Nh5 26.Qe5 Qg5 27.Qxg5 hxg5 28.b4 1-0 Shishigin,N-6.♘f3 ♘bd7 7.♖c1 h6 (ch) 73/598 Russia 1998 (4) Bd7 29.a5 Rb8 30.c3 Bb5 31.Bxb5 Rxb5 32.Nd4 Rb8 33.Nf5 Re6 34.Ne7+ Kf8 35.Nxd5 Rxe1+ 36.Rxe1 c5 37.Nc7 cxb4 38.cxb4 Nf6 39.b5 Rb7 40.b6 g6 41.Nxa6 Nd5 42.Nc5 1-0 Shishigin,N-6. ♘f3 ♘bd7 7.♖c1 h6 (ch) 73/598 Russia 1998 (4)]
14.Rad1 d4 15.Ne4 Nd5

(Diagram)

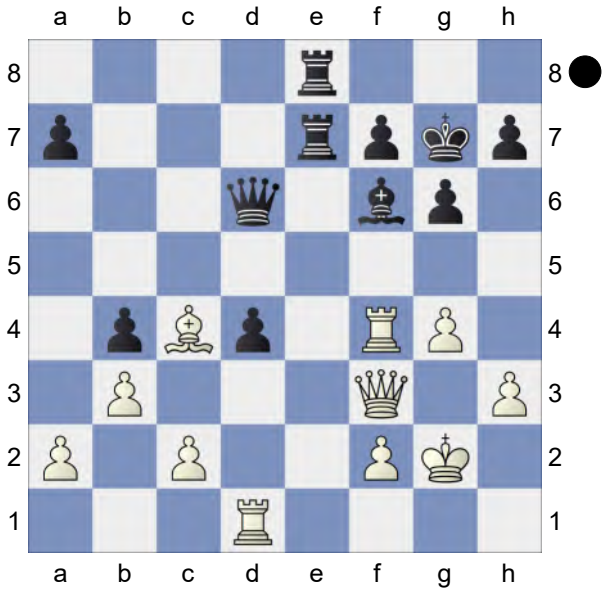
16.Bd2 0.07/18 White is more active.
[16.Qg3!± 0.81/19]



16...Nb4!= 17.Bxb4 cxb4 18.Nd2 g6 19.Rfe1 Kg7 20.Nc4 Bxc4 21.Bxc4 Bf6 Black is weak on the light squares **22.Re4 Re8 23.Rf4**

[23.Rde1 simplifies Rxe4 24.Qxe4 Qd7 25.h4]

23...Qd6 24.g4 Re7 25.Kg2 Rf8 The position is equal. **26.Re4 Rfe8 27.Rf4**



And now g5! would win. **27...Rf8 28.Re4 Rfe8 29.Rf4** Hoping for g5! **29...Rf8 30.Re4 Rfe8** Weighted Error Value: White=0.11 (very precise) /Black=0.04 (flawless)
½-½

D94

□ **Lasker,Emanuel**
■ **Alatortsev,Vladimir**
Moscow (15) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D94: Grünfeld: 4 Nf3 Bg7 5 e3 **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.Nc3 d5 5.e3 0-0 6.Be2 b6**

[6...c5 7.cxd5 Nxd5 8.0-0 cxd4 9.exd4 Nc6 10.Nxd5 Qxd5 11.Be3 Rd8 12.Qc2 Nxd4 13.Nxd4 Bxd4 14.Rfd1 e5 15.Bc4 Qc6 16.Rac1 Bf5 17.Qb3 Qf6 18.Rd2 Bxe3 19.Qxe3 b6 20.h3 Rxd2 21.Qxd2 1-0 Schwarte,J (1902)-Gnanaseelan,J (1864) England-Romania 6465 corr 1964 (5)]

7.cxd5 Nxd5 8.Nxd5N

[8.0-0 Nxc3 9.bxc3 c5 10.Ba3 Qc7 11.Qb3 Nd7 12.Nd2 Bb7 13.Bf3 Bxf3 14.Nxf3 e5 15.e4 exd4 16.cxd4 Rfe8 17.Ng5 Nf8 18.e5 h6 19.Ne4 Ne6 20.Nd6 Nxd4 21.Nxe8 Rxe8 22.Qh3 Rxe5 0-1 4.♘f3 ♗b4 5.♗g5-Sirigos,N SWE-ch28 corr Sweden 1968 (8)]

8...Qxd5 9.Nd2

(Diagram)

Bf3 is the strong threat. **9...c6**

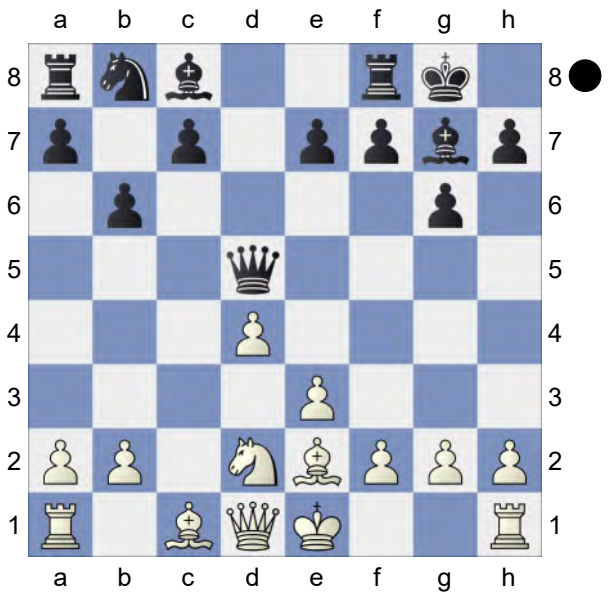
[9...Qxg2? loses. 10.Bf3 Qg5 11.h4+- *(11.Bxa8 Ba6+-)*]

10.Bf3 Qd7 11.0-0 Bb7 12.Nb3 -0.31/19

[12.b4= 0.18/19 feels stronger.]

12...Na6 13.Bd2 e5 0.49/22

[13...Rfd8= -0.26/20]

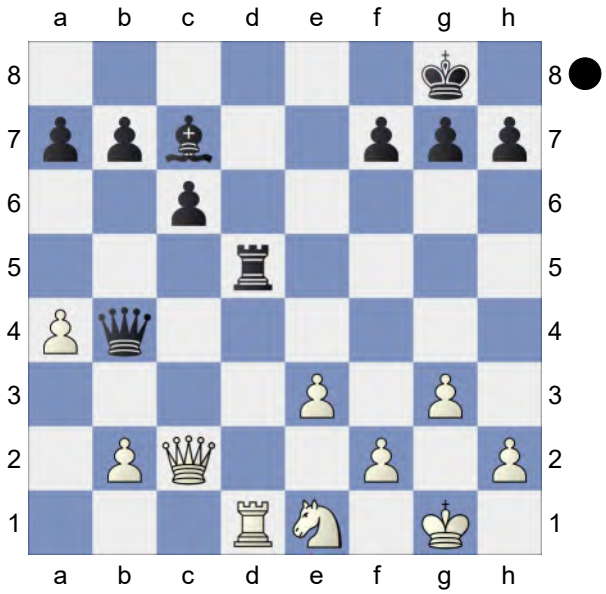


14.Bc3 -0.05/21
[14.dxe5± 0.49/22 Qc7 15.e6]
14...Rad8 15.dxe5 Qe7 16.Qc2 The position is equal. **16...Nb4 17.Bxb4 Qxb4 18.Nd4 Bxe5 19.Bxc6 Bxd4 20.Bxb7 Qxb2** An uneventful encounter. Weighted Error Value: White=0.16 (very precise) /Black=0.22 (precise)
½-½

D19

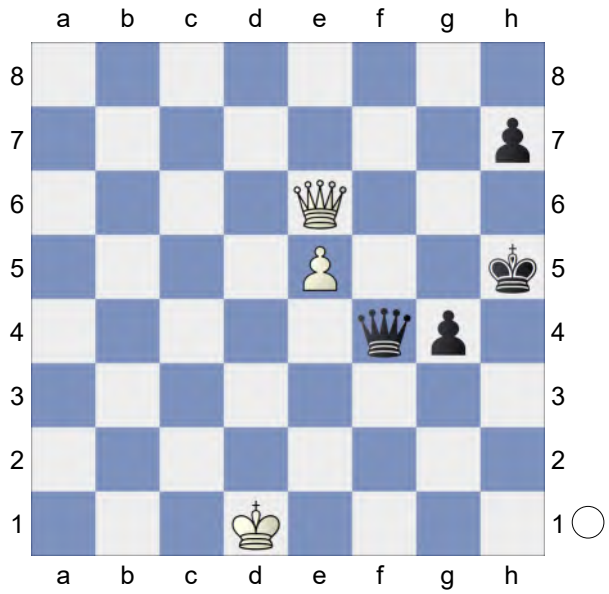
□ **Lilienthal,Andor**
■ **Levenfish,Grigory**
Moscow (15) 1935
[Kitty Cat]

D19: Slav Defence: 5 a4 Bf5 6 e3: Main line with 9 Qe2 **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Nf3 dxc4 5.a4 Bf5 6.e3 e6 7.Bxc4 Bb4 8.0-0 0-0 9.Qe2**
[9.Nh4 Nbd7 10.Nxf5 exf5 11.Qc2 Nb6 12.Bb3 Qd7 13.a5 Nbd5 14.f3 Rfe8 15.Nxd5 Nxd5 16.e4 Nf6 17.Qc4 Bf8 18.Bg5 fxe4 19.fxe4 Rxe4 20.Bxf6 gxf6 21.Rad1 Rae8 22.Rxf6 Re1+ 23.Rxe1 Rxe1+ 0-1 Lim,R (2666)-10.dc5 ♗c5 11. ♗d2 (2734) FIDE Grand Prix, Astrakhan 2010]
9...Ne4N
[9...Bg6 10.Bd3 *(10.Rd1 Nbd7 11.Bd3 Qe7 12.e4 e5 13.dxe5 Nxe5 14.Nxe5 Qxe5 15.f3 Rad8* 3) 6.e3 and 6.Nh4-6.e3 - 8.O-O O-O 9. Qe2 Bg6 #1 Lifetime Repertoires: Classical Slav 2023*)* 10...Bxd3 11.Qxd3 Nbd7 12.e4 Bxc3 13.bxc3 Nc5 14.Qb1 Ncxe4 15.Qxb7 Nxc3 16.Ba3 Ne2+ 17.Kh1 Qc8 18.Qb2 Nf4 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Rab1 Qd6 21.Qb7 Rf8 22.Rfc1 Nd3 23.Rxc6 Qf4 24.Rc8 1-0 Acco,D (1953)-Maleki, N (2127) Syre Memorial op 29th Issy les Moulineaux 2006 (4)]
10.Nxe4 Bxe4 11.Ne5 Nd7 12.Bd3 Bxd3 13.Nxd3 Bd6 14.Bd2 e5 15.Bc3 Qe7 16.dxe5 Nxe5 17.Bxe5 Bxe5 18.Rfd1 Rad8 19.Rac1 Bc7 20.g3 Prevents Qh4 **20...Rd5**
[20...g6!?]
21.Ne1 Rfd8 22.Rxd5 Rxd5 23.Rd1 Qb4 24.Qc2



Black must now prevent Rxd5. **24...Bd8 25.Nf3 Rxd1+ 26.Qxd1=** Endgame. KQB-KQN **26...Bf6 27.b3 g6 28.Qd3**

b5 29.axb5 cxb5 30.Nd4! a6 31.Kf1 Qc5 32.Ke2 Qh5+ 33.Nf3 Kg7 34.Qd6 Qf5 35.Qxa6 Qc2+ 36.Nd2 Bc3 37.Qd6 b4 -0.01/26
[37...h6∓ -0.49/23]
38.Qd3⇄ White is not keeping still. The position is equal. **38...Qb2 39.Kd1 Bxd2**
[39...Qa2 seems wilder. 40.Qc2 Qa6 41.Kc1 Qa1+]
40.Qxd2 Qxb3+ KQ-KQ **41.Kc1! Qa4 42.Qd4+ f6 43.Qc4 g5 44.h4 Qa1+ 45.Kc2 Qe1 46.hxg5! Qxf2+ 47.Kd1 fxg5 48.Qxb4 Qxg3 49.Qe7+ Kh6** White should prevent ...Qf3+. **50.e4 Qf4** Black wants to play ...g4. **51.e5 g4** ...g3 would now be deadly. **52.Qe6+ Kh5**

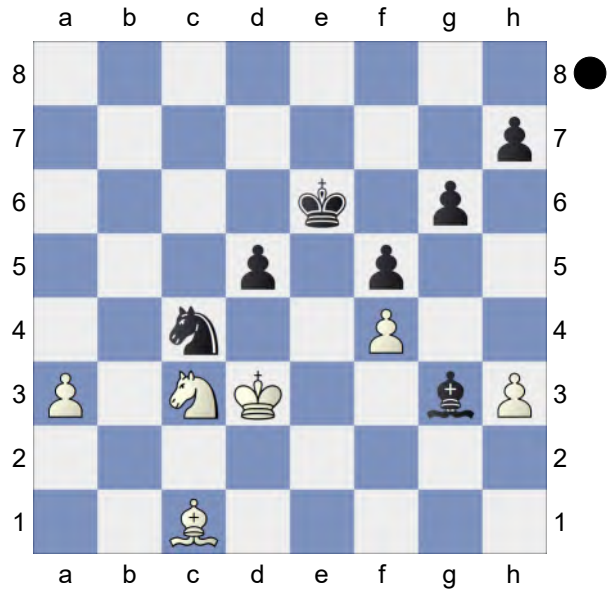


Hoping for ...g3. **53.Qe8+ Kh4** Strongly threatening ...g3. **54.Qe7+ Kg3** next ...h5 is good for Black. **55.e6!** Weighted Error Value: White=0.03 (flawless) /Black=0.04 (flawless)
½-½

E15
□ **Pirc,Vasja**
■ **Lisitsin,Georgy**
Moscow (15) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A30: Symmetrical English: Double Fianchetto and Hedgehog **1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 e6 3.c4 b6 4.g3 Bb7 5.Bg2 Qc8 6.0-0 c5 7.b3 Be7 8.Bb2 0-0 9.Nc3 cxd4 10.Nxd4 Bxg2 11.Kxg2 Qb7+ 12.f3 Rd8 13.e4 Nc6 14.Nc2N**
[14.Re1 Nxd4 15.Qxd4 Bc5 16.Qd3 Be7 17.Rad1 d6 18.Re2 Rd7 19.Red2 Rad8 20.Ne2 Qa8 21.Qe3 h6 22.h4 Qb7 23.a4 Ne8 24.Nf4 Bf6 25.Bxf6 Nxf6 26.g4 Nh7 27.Qc3 Nf8 28.g5 hxg5 ½-½ Witt,R-6.♘c3 g6 7.f4 d6 154/(137) Abu Dhabi 2022 29.hxg5 Ng6 30.Nxg6 fxg6 31.Qd4 Qc6 32.Kg3 Qc5 33.f4 Kf7 34.Kg4 a5 35.Rh2 Qxd4 36.Rxd4 Re7 37.Rhd2 Red7 38.f5 gxf5+ 39.exf5 exf5+ 40.Kxf5 g6+ 41.Kg4 Kf8 42.Rf2+ Rf7 43.Rf6 Rxf6 ½-½ Capablanca,J-Vidmar Milan It New York (USA) 1927]
14...Rac8 15.Qe2 a6 16.Rad1 White is slightly better. **16...Na7 17.Nd4 Bb4 18.a3 Bf8 19.Rd2 Rb8 20.Rfd1** White is more active. **20...b5 21.b4** Threatening e5. **21...bxc4 22.Qxc4 d5** 0.53/22
[22...d6= 0.13/21]
23.exd5!± Nxd5 24.Nxd5 0.01/21
[24.Nf5!± 0.59/23 Nb6 25.Nh6+ Kh8 26.Qb3 *(26.Qg4 f5=)* 26...Rxd2+ 27.Rxd2]
24...Rxd5= 25.Nb3 Rbd8 26.Rxd5 Rxd5 27.Rxd5 exd5 28.Qc2 Nb5 29.Nd4 Nd6 30.Qc6 Qxc6 31.Nxc6 Endgame. KBN-KBN **31...Nc4 32.Bc1 f5 33.Kf2 Kf7 34.Ke2 g6 35.Nb8 a5**

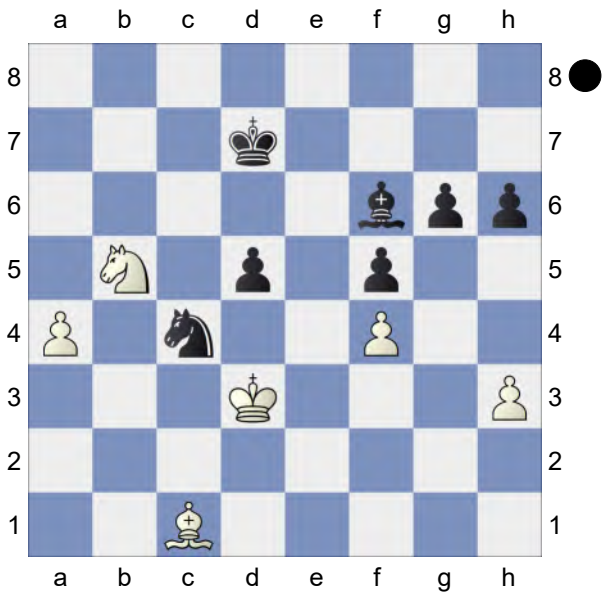
36.bxa5 Nxa5 37.Nd7 Bd6 38.Nb6 Ke6 39.Kd3 Bc5 -0.01/26
[39...Nb3∓ -0.38/24 40.Bb2 h5]
40.Na4 Bg1 41.h3 Nc4 42.Ke2 Bd4 43.Kd3 Be5 44.Nc3 -1.02/25
[44.f4∓ -0.36/26 Bb8 45.Nc3]
44...Bxg3∓ 45.f4 -1.57/25
[⌓45.Nb5 -0.76/26]



Prevents Ne5+. **45...Bh4** -0.66/26
[45...g5!∓ -1.57/25 46.fxg5 Ne5+ 47.Kc2 d4]
46.a4 Bf6 47.Nb5 Kd7 Prevents Nc7
48.Nd4 h6 49.Nb5 -1.34/23
[49.Nf3∓ -0.67/24]

(Diagram)

49...Bg7 -0.70/24
[Black should try 49...g5!∓ -1.34/23 And now ...g4 would win. 50.Na3 g4 51.hxg4 Nxa3 *(51...fxg4 52.Nxc4 dxc4+ 53.Kxc4=)*]
50.Na3 Nb2+ -0.41/23
[50...Nxa3∓ -0.96/24 51.Bxa3 Bf6]
51.Bxb2∓ Bxb2 KB-KN **52.Nb5 g5** 0.00/24



[Better is 52...Bc1∓ -0.87/24 53.Kd4 Kc6 *(53...Bxf4 54.Kxd5 Bd2 55.Nd6=)*]
53.fxg5 The position is equal. **53...hxg5 54.a5 Be5 55.a6** a7 is the strong threat. **55...Kc8 56.Ke3 g4 57.hxg4 fxg4 58.a7 Kb7 59.Kf2!** Weighted Error Value: White=0.13 (very precise) / Black=0.17 (very precise)
½-½

E72

□ **Rabinovich,Ilya Leontievich**
■ **Menchik,Vera**
Moscow (15) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

E72: King's Indian: 4 e4 d6 5 g3 Stohl, Igor: 'Bareev,Evgeny: 'Bareev,E: 'Inf 52/46''' **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.g3 c5 4.d5N**
[4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nxd4 d5 *(5...Bg7 6.Bg2 0-0 7.Nc3 Nc6 8.0-0 Nxd4 9.Qxd4 d6 10.Qd3 a6 11.Bg5 Rb8 12.a4 Be6 13.b3 Qa5 14.Qd2 Rfd8 15.Rfd1 Ng4 16.Rac1 Qb6 17.Ne4 f6 18.Bf4 Qxb3 19.h3 Ne5 20.Bxe5* 1-0 Edouard,R (2653)-Mista,A

(2582) Bundesliga 1314 Germany 2013 (4.3)) 6.Bg2 e5 *(6...Bg7 7.Nc2 Qa5+ 8.b4 Qc7 9.cxd5 Ng4 10.0-0 Bxa1 11.Nxa1 0-0 12.Nb3 Nd7 13.Qd4 Ngf6 14.Bb2 Qb6 15.Qc3 e5 16.dxe6 fxe6 17.N1d2 e5 18.Nc4 Qe6 19.Nc5 Qe7 20.Rd1 Nxc5 21.Nxe5* ½-½ Bareev,E (2680)-Shirov,A (2610) Biel SKA 1991 (14)) 7.Nf3 d4 8.0-0 Nc6 9.e3 Bg4 10.Qb3 Bxf3 11.Bxf3 Qd7 12.Bxc6 bxc6 13.exd4 exd4 14.Bg5 Be7 15.Qf3 Ng8 16.Re1 0-0-0 17.Bxe7 Nxe7 18.Qxf7 Nf5 1-0 3.e5 Bf5 4. Ne2 e6-Peter,W Oesterreich 128/(9) 2016 19.Qxd7+ Rxd7 20.Nd2 d3 21.Rad1 Nd4 22.Kg2 Rhd8 23.Re5 Nc2 24.Ne4 d2 25.Kf1 Nb4 26.Nc5 Rd4 27.Ne6 Nd3 28.Rxd2 Rxc4 29.Nxd8 Nxe5 30.Kg2 Kc7 31.Ne6+ Kb6 32.Nf8 g5 33.Re2 Nd3 1-0 3.e5 ♗f5 4.♘e2 e6_35829-Peter, W Oesterreich 128/(9) 2016]

4...d6 5.Nc3 Bg7 6.Bg2 0-0 7.e4 e5 8.Nge2 Nbd7 9.0-0 Ne8 10.Be3 Rb8 11.Qd2 a6 12.a4 White is slightly better. **12...b6 13.Bg5** White is much more active. The black rooks are passive. **13...f6 14.Bh6 Nc7** 1.02/19

[14...f5± 0.46/18]

15.Bxg7± Kxg7 16.Qd3 Rf7 0.97/18

[16...f5± 0.51/18]

17.f4 0.57/18

[White should try 17.b3± 0.97/18]

17...Qe8 1.29/17

[Black should play 17...b5!± 0.57/18]

18.Bh3 exf4 19.gxf4 Re7? 2.87/18

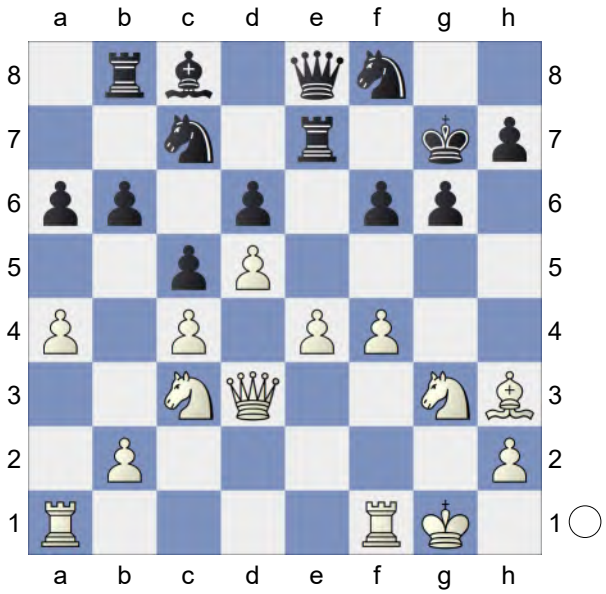
[19...Nf8± 1.28/18]

20.Ng3 1.63/18

[⌓20.e5 2.87/18]

20...Nf8

(Diagram)



21.Bxc8 Rxc8 2.74/18

[21...Qxc8 1.83/19 was called for. 22.e5 Ne8]

22.Rf2 Rb8 2.37/17

[⌓22...Rd8 1.94/17 23.h4 Kh8]

23.Raf1 Nd7 4.17/18

[23...Rd8 2.45/17 24.h4 Kh8]

24.h4 Kg8 25.Rg2 Rg7 26.Kh2 Hoping for Rfg1.

[Much less strong is 26.h5?! Kh8 27.Rff2 Qe7+-]

26...Qd8 2.22/18

[26...Qe7 1.69/19 might work better. 27.h5 f5]

27.Rh1 0.83/19

[27.h5+- 2.22/18 and White stays clearly on top.]

27...Rb7? 2.45/20

[27...f5± 0.83/19]

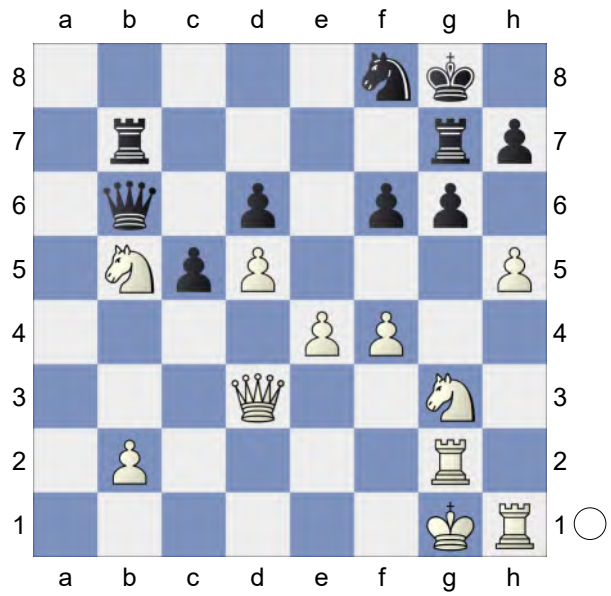
28.h5+- Nf8 29.Kg1 b5 30.cxb5

[30.axb5 axb5 31.cxb5 Qe8±]

30...axb5 31.axb5 Nxb5 32.Nxb5 Qb6

(Diagram)

33.Qc3! Qxb5 34.Qxf6 gxh5 35.Rxh5 Strongly threatening Rf5! **35...Qa6?** 3.09/21



[35...Qd3± 1.12/20]

36.Rf5 Rbf7 37.Qc3 Rxf5 #11/21

[37...Qa1++- 2.71/19 38.Kh2 Qd1 39.Rxf7 Kxf7]

38.Nxf5 Pin **38...Rxg2+ 39.Kxg2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.35/ Black=0.82

1-0

D05

□ **Ragozin,Viacheslav**
■ **Stahlberg,Gideon**
Moscow (15) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D05: Colle System with ...e6 **1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 c5 3.e3**

[3.g3 cxd4 4.Nxd4 e5 5.Nb3 Nc6 6.Bg2 Be6 7.0-0 f5 8.a4 Nf6 9.Bg5 Be7 10.Bxf6 Bxf6 11.Nc5 Bf7 12.c4 e4 13.cxd5 Qxd5 14.Qxd5 Bxd5 15.Nc3 Bxc3 16.bxc3 0-0-0 17.a5 Bc4 ½-½ Simpson,J (2520)-10. f4 ♗e4_11557 (2515) 34/231 Novi Sad 1982]

3...e6N

[3...Nf6 4.Nbd2 cxd4 *(4...Nc6 5.Be2 e6 6.0-0 Bd6 7.b3 0-0 8.Bb2 cxd4 9.exd4 Qc7 10.h3 e5 11.dxe5 Nxe5 12.Re1 Re8 13.c4 Be6 14.Rc1 dxc4 15.Nxc4 Nxc4 16.Bxf6 gxf6 17.Bxc4 Qb6 18.Nd4 Be5 19.Nxe6 ½-½* Mamedjarova,Z (2342)-Foisor,M (2220) ch-Euro Indiv Women Tbilisi GEO 2011 (10)) 5.exd4 Qc7 6.c3 Nc6 7.h3 Bf5 8.Nh4 Bd7 9.Nhf3 Bf5 10.Nh4 Bd7 11.Nhf3 Bf5 ½-½ Curtacci,S (2189)-Bellmann,H (2401) corr AO-00025 LSS 2023]

[3...Nc6 4.b3 Bg4 5.Be2 e6 6.Bb2 Nf6 7.0-0 Qc7 8.a3 Bd6 9.h3 h5 10.Nbd2 cxd4 11.exd4 Bf4 12.Re1 Bxf3 13.Nxf3 g5 14.Ne5 0-0-0 15.g3 Nxe5 16.gxf4 Ng6 17.fxg5 Ne4 18.Bc1 0-1 John,W-Alekhine,A DSB-17.Kongress Hamburgo 1910 (11)]

4.Nbd2 Nf6 5.c3 Nc6 6.Bd3 Be7 7.0-0 0-0 8.Qe2 b6 9.dxc5 bxc5 10.e4 dxe4 0.48/22

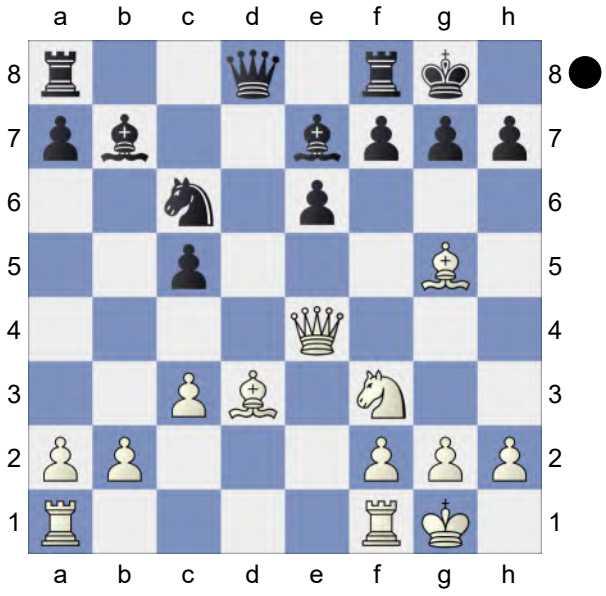
[10...Qc7= -0.25/19]

11.Nxe4± Bb7 0.82/19

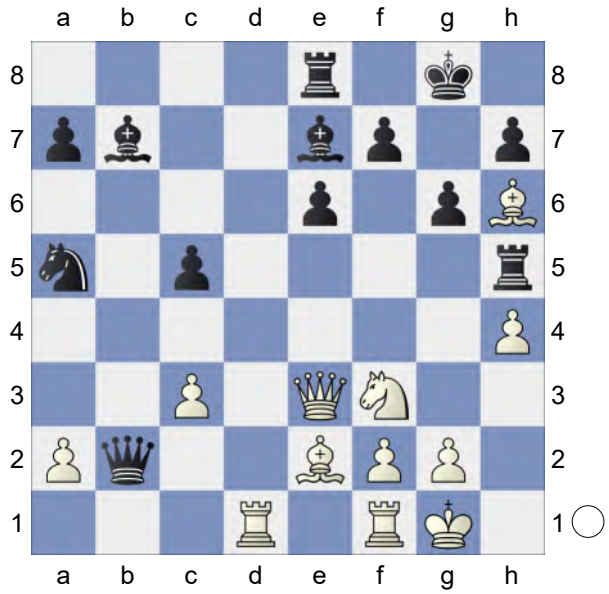
[11...Nd5= 0.24/20]

12.Bg5 Nxe4 White is slightly better.

13.Qxe4



g6 14.Bh6 White has more active pieces. **14...Re8 15.Rad1 Qb6** 1.21/18 Against Ba6
[⌓15...Qc7 0.74/18]
16.Qe2 0.66/17
[16.Qf4± 1.21/18]
16...Rad8 17.h4 Rd5 18.Bc4 0.24/20
[18.Rfe1± 0.75/19]
18...Rh5 19.Qe3 Na5! 20.Be2→ White mounts an attack. **20...Qxb2** 1.31/19
[20...Bxf3± 0.51/18 21.Bxf3 Nc4 *(21...Rxh4 22.b3±)*]



21.Bg5!± Hoping for Bxe7. **21...Bxg5** 2.59/22
[21...Qxa2? 22.Bxe7 Bd5 *(22...Rxe7? 23.Ra1+-)* 23.Nd2+- *(23.Bxc5 Nc4+-)*]
[21...Bxf3± 1.12/20 is a better defense. 22.Bxf3 Bxg5 23.hxg5 Rh4 *(23...Nc4? 24.Qf4+-)*]
22.hxg5? 0.33/20
[White should play 22.Nxg5+- 2.59/22 Rxg5 *(22...Rxh4? 23.Qg3+-)* 23.hxg5]
22...h6? 4.16/19
[22...Bxf3± 0.33/20 23.Bxf3 Rh4 *(23...Nc4? 24.Qf4+-)*]
23.gxh6+- Rf5 5.13/21
[23...Bxf3 2.96/19 24.Bxf3 Rf5 *(24...Nc4? 25.Qf4+-)*]
24.Ne5 f6 25.Nxg6 7.05/21
[⌓25.h7+ #6/14 Kh8 26.Rd7 *(26.Nxg6+ Kg7+-)* 26...fxe5 27.Qh6 *(27.Qxc5?* is the wrong capture. *Qxe2 28.Qe3 Qxe3-+)* 27...Rf7 28.Rxf7 Rg8 29.hxg8N+ Kxg8 30.Qh7#]
25...Kh7 26.Rd7+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.32/Black=1.42
1-0

C15

□ **Spielmann,Rudolf**
■ **Capablanca,Jose Raul**
Moscow (15) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

C15: French: 3 Nc3 Bb4: Unusual White 4th moves ChessCalisthenics: 'B70: Sicilian Dragon: 6 g3 and 6 Be2 (without a later Be3)' **1.d4 e6 2.e4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Nge2 dxe4 5.a3 Be7 6.Nxe4 Nf6 7.N2g3 0-0 8.Be2 Nbd7 9.0-0 Nxe4N**
[9...b6 10.Bf3 Rb8 11.c3 *(11.c4 Nxe4 12.Bxe4 Nf6 13.Bf3 Bb7 14.Bxb7 Rxb7 15.Qf3 c6 16.Ne2 Qc8 17.b4 Rd8 18.Bf4 Rbd7 19.Rfc1 h6 20.h3 c5 21.dxc5 bxc5 22.b5 Rd3 23.Be3 Qc7 24.a4 Qa5 25.Qc6 Nd7* 1-0 Couso,L (2570)-3. ♗g5 h6 4. ♗h4_31846 (2620) Riga 1898 (2) *26.Bf4 e5 27.Qe4 Rd6 28.Be3 Bf8 29.Nc3 Rd4 30.Bxd4 cxd4 31.Nd5 Re8 32.Qg4 Re6 33.Rd1 g6 34.f4 f5 35.Qe2 Bc5 36.Kh2 e4 37.g4 Qd8 38.gxf5 gxf5 39.Qh5 Qf8 40.Ra2 d3*

1-0 Bronstein,D-Sajtar,J Moscow-Prague 1946 (4)) 11...Bb7 12.Re1 Nxe4 13.Bxe4 Bxe4 14.Nxe4 Nf6 15.Nxf6+ Bxf6 16.Qa4 Qc8 17.Bf4 Qb7 18.Be5 Bxe5 19.Rxe5 c5 20.dxc5 bxc5 21.b4 c4 22.Ra5 Ra8 23.Rc5 Qe4 24.Qa6 1-0 Ig5 (2350)-Looijestijn,J (2100) 394 Linz 2012]

10.Nxe4 e5 Wards off Bf4. White is slightly better. **11.dxe5 Nxe5 12.Qxd8**

[12.Bd2 looks sharper. Qd4 13.Bb4 Qxe4 14.Bxe7 Re8 15.Re1]

12...Rxd8

[12...Bxd8 simplifies 13.Ng3 c6 14.Bd2 Be6]

13.Bf4 f6 14.Bxe5 fxe5 15.Bc4+ Kh8 16.Rfe1 Bf5 17.Bd3 Rd4 18.Re2 Rad8 19.Rae1 g6 20.f3 Bxe4 21.Rxe4 Bf6 22.b3 Kg7 23.a4 a5 24.Kf1 Kf7 25.Rxd4 Rxd4 26.Re4 Rxe4 27.Bxe4 Weighted Error Value: White=0.05 (flawless) /Black=0.06 (flawless)

½-½

A13

□ **Botvinnik,Mikhail**
■ **Chekhover,Vitaly**
Moscow (16) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A11: English Opening: 1...c6 **1.Nf3 d5 2.c4 e6 3.b3 Nf6 4.Bb2 Be7 5.e3 0-0 6.Be2 c6N**

[6...b6 7.0-0 dxc4 8.bxc4 Bb7 9.d3 c5 10.Ne5 Nbd7 11.f4 Nxe5 12.fxe5 Nd7 13.Bf3 Qc7 14.Bxb7 Qxb7 15.Nd2 Qc7 16.Nf3 Rad8 17.Qe2 Nb8 18.Rac1 Nc6 19.Bc3 Rd7 20.Rfd1 Rfd8 21.Rd2 ½-½ Eis,H (2083)-Schueler,W (2081) GER-chT Seniors 10th_84382 Rheda-Wiedenbrück 2001 (3.2)]

[6...Nbd7 7.0-0 b6 8.d3 Bb7 9.Nbd2 Bd6 10.Qc2 c5 11.Rac1 Rc8 12.Qb1 Re8 13.Rfd1 Qe7 14.Qa1 e5 15.cxd5 Nxd5 16.Bf1 Bb8 17.g3 Rcd8 18.a3 Qe6 19.Bg2 h6 20.Nc4 b5 21.Ncd2 0-1 Anastasian,A (2545)-Yuferov,S (2475) St Petersburg op_170717 1994 (9)]

[6...c5 7.0-0 b6 8.Qc2 Bb7 9.d3 Nbd7 10.Nbd2 Rc8 11.Rad1 Qc7 12.cxd5 Nxd5 13.Rfe1 Rfd8 14.Bf1 Qb8 15.Qb1 Bf6 16.Ne4 Bxb2 17.Qxb2 N7f6 18.Ng3 Nb4 19.Ne5 Nc6 20.Nxc6 Rxc6 21.e4 0-1 Kulomzin (2291)-Pappalarder (2169) Magyarorszag 90/(237) 2004 (8)]

7.0-0 Nbd7 8.Nc3 a6 9.Nd4 -0.32/18

[White should try 9.d4= 0.26/18]

9...dxc4 0.16/21

[9...Re8∓ -0.32/18]

10.bxc4= Nc5 0.50/19

[10...c5= 0.04/17 11.Nb3 h6]

11.f4± Qc7 12.Nf3 Rd8 0.76/20

[12...b5= 0.24/19]

13.Qc2± Ncd7 14.d4 c5 15.Ne5 -0.01/20 White is more active.

[15.d5± 0.62/19]

15...b6 16.Bd3 cxd4 17.exd4 Bb7 18.Qe2 Nf8 19.Nd1

[19.f5 keeps more tension. exf5 20.Rxf5 Rxd4 21.Nd5]

19...Ra7 0.89/19

[19...Ng6= 0.12/17]

20.Nf2 0.22/18

[White should play 20.f5± 0.89/19]

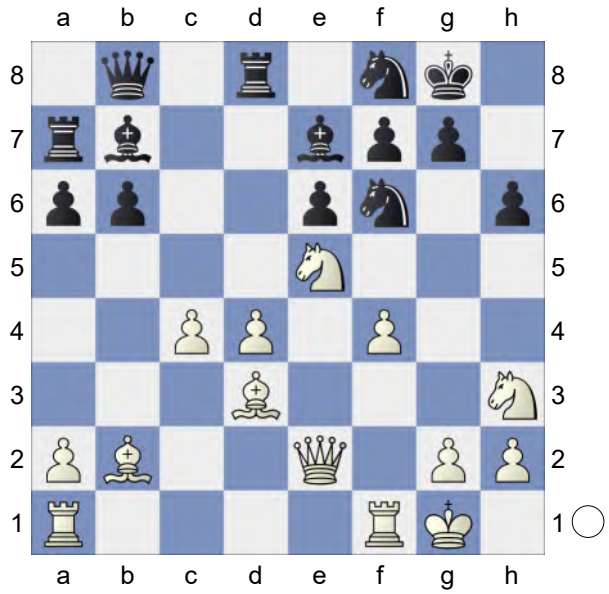
20...Qb8 0.72/17

[20...b5!= 0.22/18 remains equal.]

21.Nh3 Black is on the road to losing.

21...h6 1.64/19

[21...Ba8± 0.76/16]

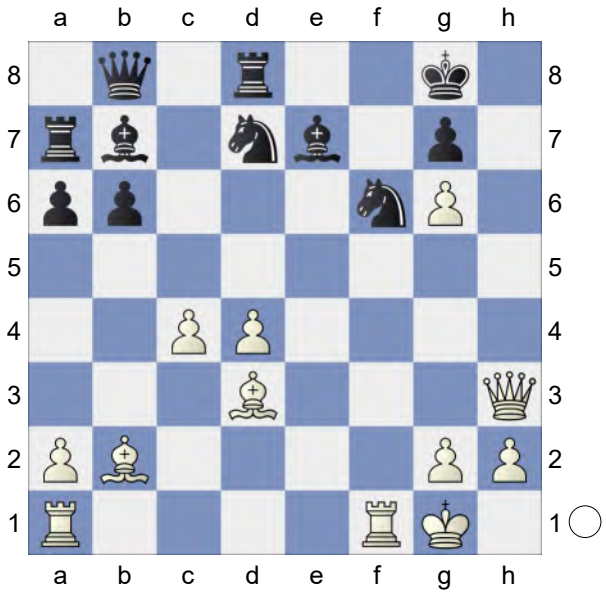


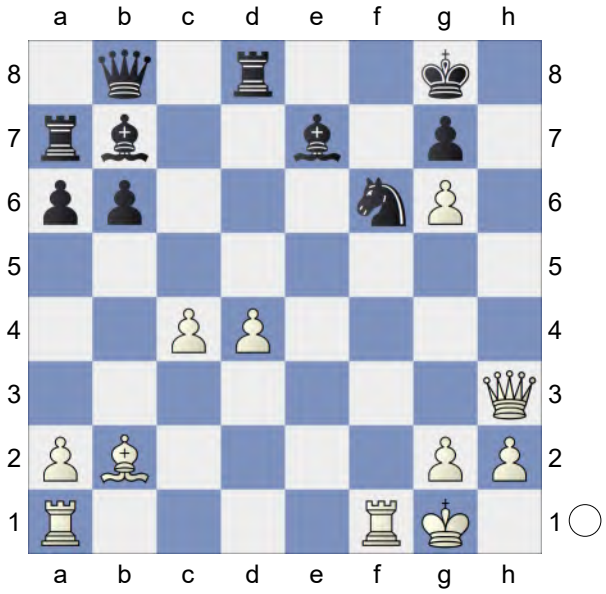
Wards off Ng5 **22.Ng5!+- hxg5 23.fxg5 N8d7** 5.44/23
[23...N6h7 1.64/21 is a better chance.]
24.Nxf7 Discovered Attack, Decoy
24...Kxf7 25.g6+? -0.01/22
[25.Rae1 Qd6=]
[25.gxf6+- 4.36/21 Qh5+ would kill now. Nxf6 26.d5]
25...Kg8? 11.02/21
[25...Kf8= -0.01/22 26.Qxe6 Ne5]
26.Qxe6+ Kh8 ...Nf8 is the strong threat. **27.Qh3+**
[27.Qxe7? Re8 28.Qa3 *(28.Qf7? Be4-+)* 28...Re3∓]
27...Kg8

(Diagram)

28.Bf5! White wants to mate with Be6+.
[28.Qe6+ Kh8=]
28...Nf8 29.Be6+ Nxe6 30.Qxe6+→ White goes for the king. **30...Kh8** White must now prevent ...Bc8. **31.Qh3+ Kg8**

(Diagram)





32.Rxf6! Bxf6 33.Qh7+ 7.03/5
[⌓33.Re1 22.97/25 Be5 34.Qh7+ *(34.dxe5 Rd2+-)* 34...Kf8 35.Qh8+ Deflection *(35.dxe5 Ke8+-; 35.Rxe5 Qxe5 36.Ba3+ Qc5+-)* 35...Ke7 36.Qxg7+ Pin, Double Attack *(36.Rxe5+? Qxe5-+)* 36...Ke6 37.Qf7+ *(37.Qxe5+ Qxe5 38.Rxe5+ Kf6∓)* 37...Kd6 38.Ba3+ *(38.Rxe5 Rd7 39.Re6+ Kc7 40.Qf4+* Skewer, Deflection *Kd8 41.Qxb8+ Bc8 42.d5 Re7)* 38...Kc6 39.d5+ *(39.dxe5 Ba8+-)* 39...Rxd5

40.Qxd5+ Kc7 41.Qxe5+ Kd7 42.Qe6+ *(42.Qxb8 Be4 43.Rxe4 a5 44.Qe8+ Kc7 45.Re7#)* 42...Kd8 43.Qe8+ Kc7 44.Re7#]

33...Kf8 34.Re1 Be5 35.Qh8+ Deflection **35...Ke7 36.Qxg7+** Pin, Double Attack. White mates.

[36.Rxe5+? loses. Qxe5-+]

36...Kd6 37.Qxe5+ Kd7 Black is weak on the dark squares **38.Qf5+ Kc6 39.d5+ Kc5 40.Ba3+ Kxc4 41.Qe4+ Kc3 42.Bb4+ Kb2 43.Qb1#** Weighted Error Value: White=0.60/ Black=0.95

1-0

D28

□ **Goglidze,Victor Arsentievich**
■ **Lasker,Emanuel**
Moscow (16) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D28: Queen's Gambit Accepted: Classical main line: 7 Qe2 with early ... Nc6 **1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.e3 c5 5.Bxc4 e6 6.0-0 Nc6**

[6...a6 7.Be2 cxd4 8.exd4 Nc6 9.Nc3 Be7 10.Be3 Ng4 11.Bf4 Nf6 12.Rc1 0-0 13.Na4 Nd5 14.Bg3 Bd6 15.Bd3 Nce7 16.Qb3 b6 17.Be4 Rb8 18.Rfe1 Bb7 19.Nc3 Nxc3 20.Bxb7 Nxa2 21.Qxa2 0-1 C 06/32 (2809)-Deslandes,P (2807) GER-ITA email ICCF email 2012 (2)]

7.Qe2N

[7.Nc3 cxd4 8.exd4 Be7 9.Bg5 *(9.Bf4 0-0 10.a3 a6 11.b4 b5 12.Bb3 Bb7 13.Qd3 Rc8 14.Rad1 Nb8 15.Ng5 Bd5 16.Nxd5 exd5 17.Be5 g6 18.Qh3 h5 19.f4 Ng4 20.Qf3 Nc6 21.Bxd5 Ncxe5 22.dxe5 Qb6+ 23.Kh1 Ne3* 0-1 Pillsbury,H-Blackburne,J Nuernberg 1st 1896 (5)*)* 9...0-0 10.Re1 Nb4 11.a3 Nbd5 12.Qd3 b6 13.Ne5 Bb7 14.Rad1 Rc8 15.Ba2 Nxc3 16.bxc3 Nd5 17.Bxe7 Qxe7 18.Bxd5 Bxd5 19.c4 Ba8 20.d5 Rfd8 21.d6 Qb7 0-1 Aadit,B (1945)-Yurovskich,O (2328) Titled Tuesday intern op 14th Feb Early Chess.com INT blitz 2023 (2)]

[7.b3 Be7 8.Bb2 0-0 9.dxc5 Qxd1 10.Rxd1 Ne4 11.Nd4 Nxc5 12.Nxc6 bxc6 13.Nc3 Ba6 14.Bxa6 Nxa6 15.Rd7 Bf6 16.Na4 Bxb2 17.Nxb2 Nb4 18.Kf1 Rfd8 19.Rxd8+ Rxd8 20.Ke2 Kf8 21.Nc4 c5 ½-½ Goodwin, B (2640)-Comp Chess (2287) 39/167 Varna 1985 (14)]

7...a6 8.Rd1 b5 9.dxc5 Qc7 10.Bd3 Nb4 11.a3 -0.09/21

[11.Bd2± 0.37/21 should be considered. Qxc5 *(11...Nxd3 12.Qxd3 Bxc5 13.Rc1±)* 12.Bxb4 Qxb4 13.a4]

11...Nxd3= 12.Qxd3 Bxc5 13.b4 The position is equal. **13...Be7 14.Bb2 Bb7 15.Be5 Qc6 16.Nbd2 Rc8 17.Nb3 Qe4 18.Bd6** -0.59/22

[18.Qd4= 0.01/20 Bd5 19.Qa7]

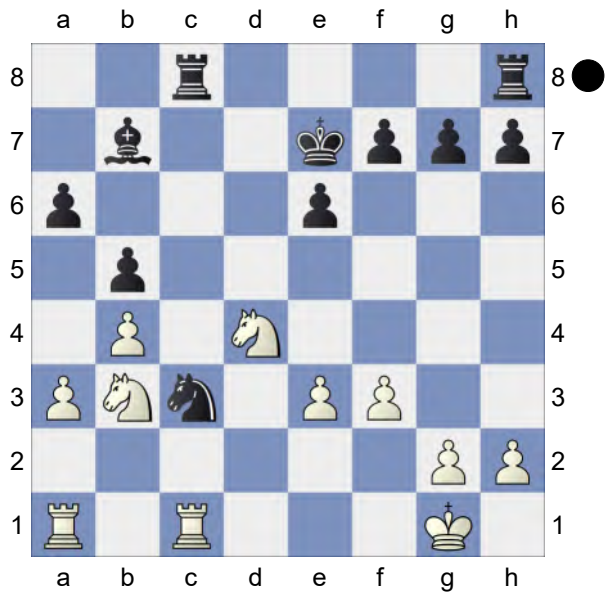
18...Rd8 0.01/21

[Black should play 18...Bd5∓ -0.59/22 19.Bxe7 Qxd3 20.Rxd3 Kxe7]

19.Qxe4 Nxe4 20.Bxe7 Kxe7 21.Nfd4 Threatening Na5. **21...Rc8 22.f3 Nc3 23.Rdc1**

(Diagram)

Hoping for Nc5. **23...e5 24.Nf5+** Excellent horsemanship. **24...Kf6 25.Ng3** Prevents Ne2+. Nc5 would now be deadly. **25...Na4 26.Kf2 Bd5↑**

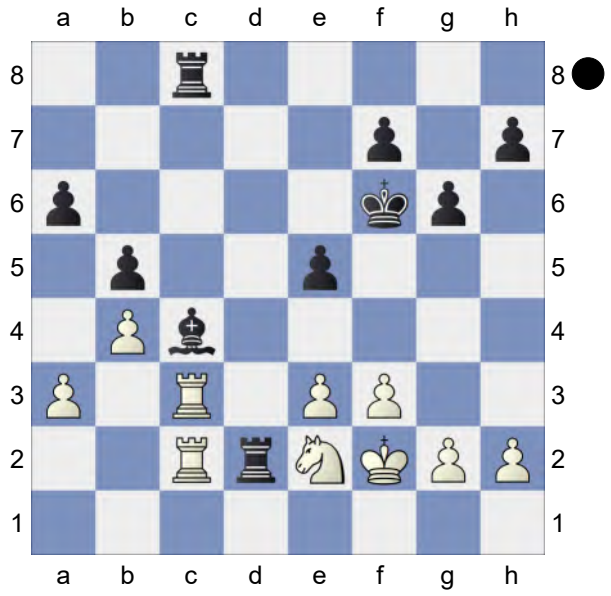


White is under pressure. **27.Nd2 g6 28.Ne2! Nb2 29.Rc3** Prevents Nd3+ **29...Rhd8 30.Rb1 Nc4 31.Nxc4** -0.71/21

[31.Rbc1∓ -0.32/22 feels stronger.]

31...Bxc4∓ 32.Rbc1 Rd2 Black is more active. **33.R1c2?** -5.32/22

[33.R3c2∓ -0.91/23 was the crucial defense. Rcd8 34.Ke1 Rxc2 35.Rxc2]



33...Rcd8-+ 34.e4 Bxe2 Weighted Error Value: White=0.32/Black=0.06

(flawless)
0-1

D81

□ **Levenfish,Grigory**
■ **Flohr,Salo**
Moscow (16) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D81: Grünfeld: 4 Qb3 **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Qb3 c6 5.Bg5 Bg7** 0.27/19

[⌓5...dxc4 -0.09/18 6.Qxc4 b5]

6.e3= 0-0 7.cxd5 Nxd5 8.Nxd5 -0.22/20

[⌓8.Nf3 0.23/20]

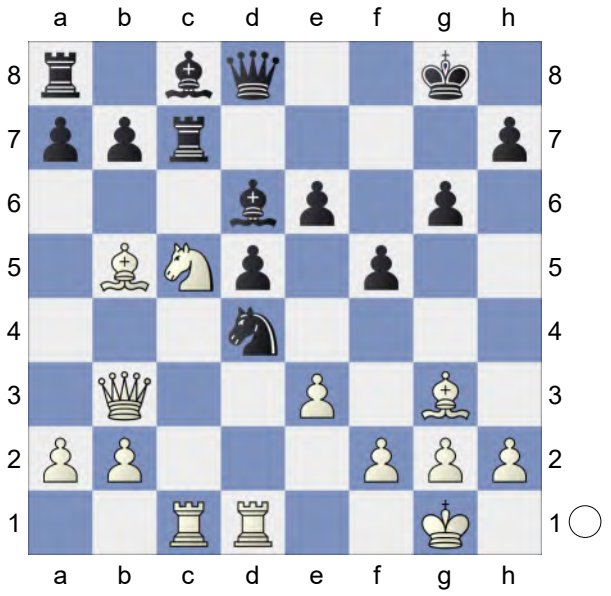
8...cxd5 9.Ne2 Qa5+ 10.Nc3 e6 11.Be2 Nc6 12.0-0 f6 0.74/19

[12...e5= 0.22/20 keeps the balance.]

13.Bh4 Rf7 14.Bg3 Bf8 15.Rfd1 f5 0.88/20

[15...Qd8± 0.46/20 deserves consideration.]

16.Rac1± Qd8 17.Na4 Bd6 18.Nc5 Rc7 19.Bb5 Nxd4



Deflection **20.exd4 f4** Repels Qe3 **21.Re1 fxg3 22.hxg3 Qe7 23.Qe3**

White is much more active. **23...a6 24.Ba4 b6 25.Nd3**
[25.Nxe6? perishes. Rxc1 26.Qxc1 Bxe6-+]
25...Rxc1 26.Rxc1 Bd7 27.Bxd7 Qxd7 28.Ne5 Bxe5 29.Qxe5
[But not 29.dxe5 d4 30.Qe4 Rd8]
29...Rc8 Repels Rc7 **30.Rxc8+** 0.43/24
[30.Re1± 1.25/21]
30...Qxc8 KQ-KQ **31.Qf6** -0.01/20
[Better is 31.Kh2± 0.52/19]
31...Qc1+= The position is equal. **32.Kh2 Qh6+ 33.Kg1 Qc1+ 34.Kh2N Qh6+** Weighted Error Value: White=0.16 (very precise) /Black=0.13 (very precise) **½-½**

E21

□ **Lisitsin,Georgy**
■ **Kan,Ilia Abramovich**
Moscow (16) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

E32: Nimzo-Indian: Classical (4 Qc2): 4... 0-0 **1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 b6 3.d4 e6 4.Nc3 Bb7 5.Qc2 Bb4 6.a3 Bxc3+ 7.Qxc3 Ne4 8.Qc2 0-0**
[8...f5 9.e3 0-0 10.Be2 d6 11.0-0 Nd7 12.b4 Rf6 13.d5 exd5 14.Bb2 Rg6 15.Rad1 dxc4 16.Bxc4+ Kh8 17.Bd5 c6 18.Bxc6 Rc8 19.b5 Ng5 20.Qxf5 Bxc6 21.bxc6 Rxc6 22.Nh4 Rh6 23.g3 1-0 Sokolov,I (2684)-Kristjansson,S (2431) Selfoss 86/493 2002]
9.g3
[9.e3 d6 10.Bd3 f5 11.b4 Nd7 12.Bb2 Qe8 13.0-0 Qh5 14.d5 e5 15.Bxe4 fxe4 16.Qxe4 Nf6 17.Qh4 Qg6 18.Ne1 b5 The Hybrid System-Qc2,C 2010]
9...f5N
[9...Nd6 10.Bg2 Be4 11.Qc3 a5 12.0-0 Nc6 13.Ne5 Bxg2 14.Kxg2 Nxe5 15.dxe5 Ne4 16.Qc2 Nc5 17.Be3 a4 18.Rad1 Ra5 19.Bxc5 Qa8+ 20.Kg1 Rxc5 21.Rxd7 Qc6 22.Rd4 Rxe5 23.Rfd1 Rc5 24.Qe4 ½-½ Comp Fritz5-Couso,L Saint Petersburg 93/429 2005 (3) Qxe4 25.Rxe4 Re8 26.g4 Kf8 27.Kf1 g6 28.Rd7 Re7 29.Rd8+ Re8 30.Rxe8+ Kxe8 31.Ke1 h5 32.h3 hxg4 33.hxg4 Ke7 34.Kd2 g5 35.Kc3 Ra5 36.Re3 c5 37.Rd3 Ra8 38.Rh3 Rd8 39.e3 ½-½ Evans,L-Bronstein,D Match/Nation URS-USA 25,0-7,0 Moscow 1955 (3)]
10.Bg2 Nf6 11.b4 Be4 12.Qc3 a5 13.b5 White is slightly better. **13...d6 14.0-0 Qe8 15.a4! Nbd7 16.Ba3 Qh5 17.Nd2** 0.25/18
[17.c5!± 1.01/18]
17...Bxg2=
[17...Qxe2 18.Bf3 Bxf3 19.Rfe1±]
18.Kxg2 e5 0.40/19
[18...Qxe2= -0.05/17 19.Rfe1 Qh5]
19.c5± exd4 20.Qb3+ Kh8 21.cxd6 cxd6
[21...Qxe2? 22.Nf3 Qe4 23.dxc7+-]
22.Bxd6 Rfe8 23.Nf3 Rxe2 24.Nxd4 Ree8 25.Qf3 Repels Ne4. White is more active.
[25.Rac1 is interesting. f4 26.Qd1 Qg6 27.Nf3]
25...Qxf3+ 26.Nxf3 Re4 27.Ng5 0.39/22
[27.Rfd1± 1.09/19]
27...Rc4 28.Rfd1 Re8 0.76/21
[28...Kg8± 0.38/22 feels stronger.]
29.Bf4!± Threatens to win with Nf7+.
29...Rc2 30.Rd2 0.01/21
[30.Rac1± 0.54/21 Rxc1 31.Rxc1]
30...Rxd2= 31.Bxd2 Kg8 32.Be3 Nd5 33.Bd4 h6 34.Nf3 Re4 35.Rd1 N7f6

36.Ne5 Re2 37.Nc4 Ra2 38.Nxb6 Nxb6 Remove Defender **39.Bxb6 Rxa4±** Endgame. KRB-KRN **40.Rd8+ Kf7 41.Ra8 Rb4 42.Rxa5 Ke6 43.Bc5 Rb3 44.Bd4** Ra6+ is the strong threat. **44...f4** 2.26/20

[⌓44...Rb4 1.66/22]

45.f3 1.30/23

[Weaker is 45.gxf4 Nd5 46.Be5 *(46.Bxg7?* is a self mate. *Nxf4+ 47.Kh1 Rb1#)* 46...Kf5±]

[White should play 45.b6+- 2.26/20]

45...fxg3 46.hxg3

[But not 46.Kxg3 Ne4+ 47.Kg2 Ng5±]

46...Kd5 1.67/20

[46...Rb4± 1.11/21 is a better defense.]

47.Bxf6 0.95/24

[47.Ba1!+- 1.67/20]

47...gxf6+- KR-KR **48.Ra6** 0.12/26

[White should try 48.g4!± 0.66/25]

48...Ke5= 49.Rb6 Rb2+ 50.Kh3 0.11/27

[50.Kf1± 0.48/25 was preferrable.]

50...Rf2 1.04/25

[50...Rb3= 0.11/27]

51.f4+± Kf5 52.Rb8 0.01/28

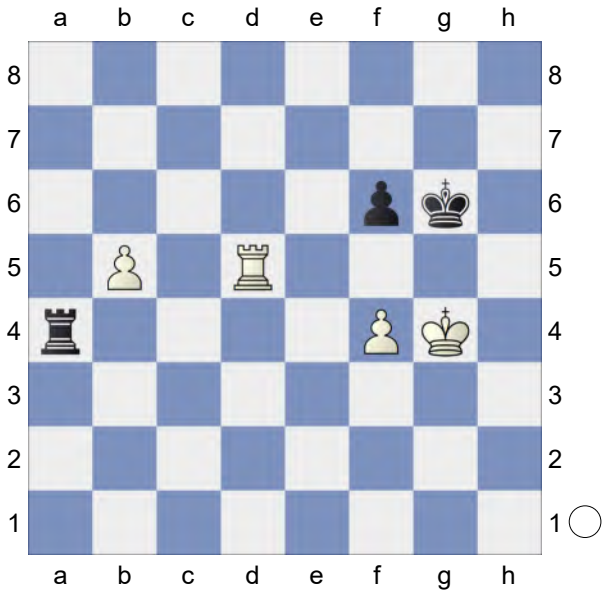
[52.g4+!± 1.26/26 Kg6 53.Kg3]

52...h5= 53.Rh8 Kg6 Repels Rh6+ **54.Rd8 Rb2 55.Rd5 Rb1 56.Rc5 Rb2** 0.54/36

[56...Rb3= 0.01/28]

57.g4!± hxg4+ 58.Kxg4 Rb4 59.Rd5! Ra4

(Diagram)

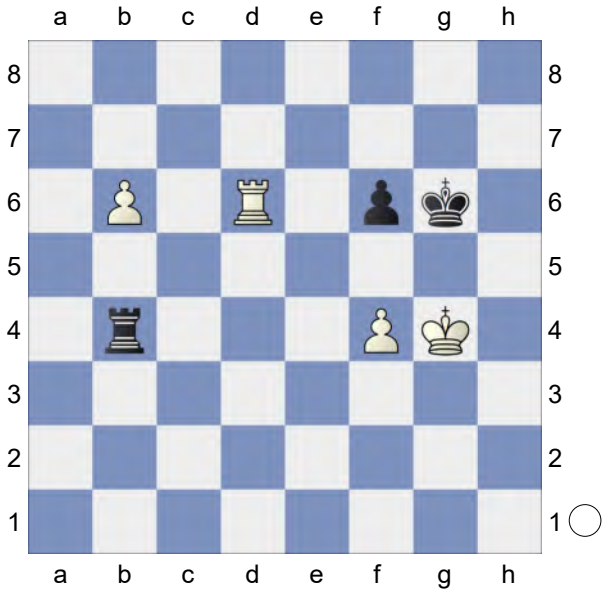


60.Rd6! Rc4 0.84/32

[60...Re4!= 0.27/33 remains equal.]

61.b6± Strongly threatening Kf3. **61...Rb4**

(Diagram)



62.Kf3! Kf5? 4.97/28 This costs Black the game.

[62...Kf7± 0.90/29 is tougher.]

63.Ke3+- Hoping for Kd3. **63...Re4+?** 9.30/26

[63...Kg6 3.15/24 64.Rc6 Kf7]

64.Kd3 White wants to mate with Rxf6+! White is clearly winning. **64...Rb4 65.Kc3 Rb1 66.Kd4 Rd1+ 67.Kc5 Rc1+ 68.Kb5 Rb1+ 69.Kc6** 12.21/26

[⌓69.Ka6 5.78/27]

69...Rc1+ 70.Kd7 Kxf4 71.Rxf6+ Ke5 72.Rd6 5.77/25

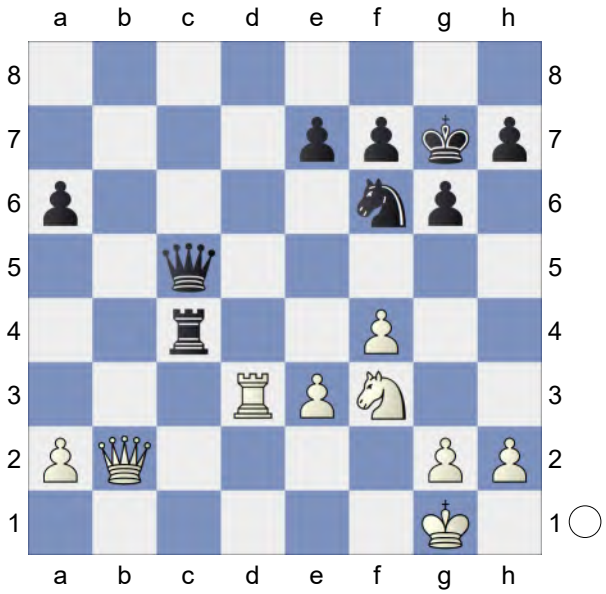
[⌓72.Rh6 14.69/25 Rb1 73.Kc7]
72...Rc2 73.Rd1 5.77/26
[⌓73.Rh6 14.34/26 aiming for b7. Rb2 74.Kc7]
73...Rb2 74.Kc7 Rc2+ 75.Kb8 Rb2 76.b7 Rh2 77.Ra1 Weighted Error Value: White=0.18 (very precise) / Black=0.17 (very precise)
1-0

A02

□ **Menchik,Vera**
■ **Spielmann,Rudolf**
Moscow (16) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A45: Trompowsky Attack **1.e3 Nf6 2.f4 g6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.d4 c5 5.c3 b6 6.Bd3 Bb7 7.0-0 0-0 8.Qe2** The position is equal. **8...Ne4 9.b3 d5 10.Bb2 Nd7 11.Nbd2 Ndf6 12.Rac1 a6 13.Rfd1 b5 14.c4 Nxd2 15.Rxd2 dxc4 16.bxc4 bxc4 17.Rxc4 cxd4 18.Bxd4 Rc8 19.Rdc2**
[19.Bxf6!? Bxf3 *(19...Bxf6 20.Bf5±; 19...exf6 20.Bxg6 Qe7 21.Rxc8±)* 20.gxf3 *(20.Rxc8 Qxc8 21.gxf3 Bxf6=)* 20...Bxf6 21.Bxg6= *(21.Bf5? Qxd2* Deflection *22.Qxd2 Rxc4-+)*]
19...Rxc4 20.Bxc4 Nd5 Strongly threatening ...Nxf4! **21.Bxg7**
[21.Bxa6? too greedy. Bxa6 22.Qxa6 Bxd4 *(22...Nb4? 23.Qe2-+)* 23.Nxd4 Nb4-+ *(23...Nxe3 24.Rd2∓)*]
21...Kxg7 22.Rd2 Qa5 23.Rd3 Rc8 24.Qb2+ Nf6 25.Qxb7 -1.95/21 Now White is beyond hope.
[25.Ra3∓ -0.65/22 Qc5 26.Ne5]
25...Rxc4-+ 26.Qb2 Wards off Rc1+
26...Qc5

(Diagram)



And now ...Rc1+ would win. **27.Nd4** -2.77/23
[⌓27.Kf1 -1.93/22]
27...Rc1+→ Black attacks with force.
28.Kf2 Kh6 White must now prevent ... Ne4+. **29.h3?** -11.98/20
[29.Qb7 -2.53/22]
29...Ne4+ 30.Ke2 Rg1 Weighted Error Value: White=0.48/Black=0.08 (flawless)
0-1

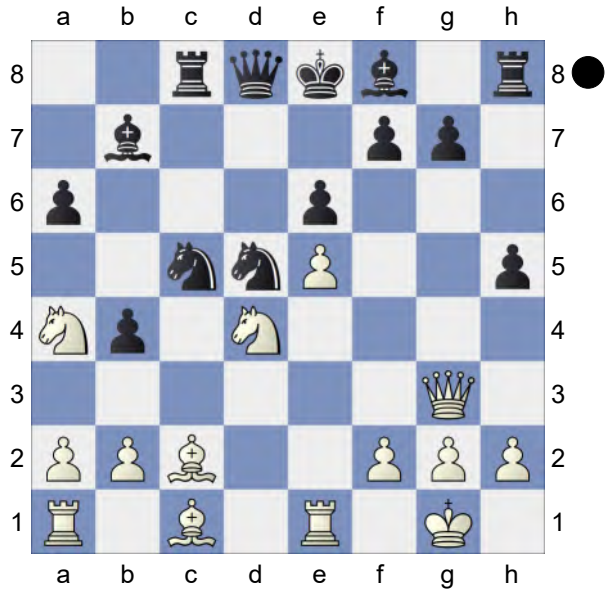
D48

□ **Ragozin,Viacheslav**
■ **Pirc,Vasja**
Moscow (16) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D48: Semi-Slav: Meran System: 7...b5 8 Bd3 a6 **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.e3 e6 5.Nc3 Nbd7 6.Bd3 dxc4 7.Bxc4 b5 8.Bd3 a6 9.e4 b4 10.Na4 c5 11.e5 Nd5 12.0-0 cxd4 13.Re1** White has an edge.
[13.Nxd4 Qa5∓]
13...Bb7 14.Nxd4 Nc5N 0.81/21
[14...g6!= 0.16/18 15.Qg4 Qa5 *(15...N7b6 16.Bg5 Qd7 17.Nxb6*

Nxb6 18.Bf6 h5 19.Qxe6+ fxe6 20.Bxg6+ Qf7 21.Bxf7+ Kxf7 22.Bxh8 Bc5 23.Nb3 Be7 24.Bf6 Bxf6 25.exf6 Kxf6 26.Nc5 Bd5 27.Nd3 Rg8 28.Nf4 Kf5 29.Nxd5 Nxd5 30.g3 Flumbort,A (2439)-Zelcic, R (2540) 89/(418) Pula 2003*)* 16.b3 Nc5 *(16...Bg7)* 17.Be4 Nxe4 18.Qxe4 Bg7 19.a3 Rb8 20.Nc2 Bf8 21.Qd4 Rc8 22.axb4 Qb5 23.Ne3 Bxb4 24.Nc4 0-0 25.Bd2 Rfd8 26.Bxb4 Qxb4 27.Red1 Rc7 ½-½ Khachaturov,V (2347)-Szczepanski,Z (2563) corr FICGS CHESS 2007 (8)]

15.Bc2 Rc8 16.Qg4 h5 17.Qg3



Nxc5 would now be deadly. White is more active. **17...b3** 1.79/22 This costs Black the game. **18.Nxc5+-**

[18.axb3 Nb4 19.Nxc5 Bxc5 20.Nxe6 *(20.Qxg7 Qxd4 21.Qxh8+ Kd7∓)* 20...fxe6 21.Qxg7 Bxf2+ 22.Kf1 Rxc2∓ *(22...Bxe1 23.Bg6#; 22...Nxc2 23.Qxh8+ Kd7 24.Qh7+ Qe7 25.Qxe7+* Remove Defender *Kxe7 26.Kxf2∓)*]

[18.Bxb3 Nxb3 *(18...Qa5 19.Rd1±)* 19.Qxb3 *(19.axb3 h4=; 19.Nxb3? Rc4-+)* 19...Qd7± *(19...Bb4 20.Rd1±)*]

18...bxc2 2.12/22

[18...Bxc5± 1.53/21 19.Nxb3 *(19.Qxg7 Rf8+-)* 19...Bf8]

19.Ndxe6 Excellent horsemanship.

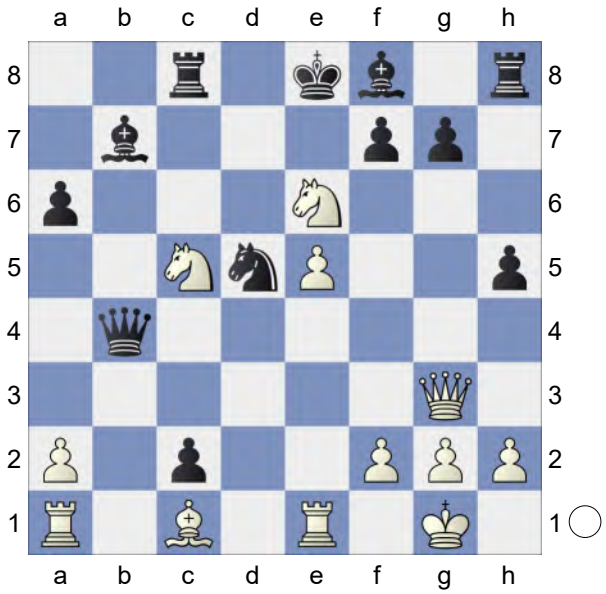
[19.Nxb7?! Qb6]

19...Qa5 20.b4

[20.Nxb7? Qxe1#]

20...Qxb4

[20...Nxb4? 21.Nxg7+ *(21.Nxb7 Qd5+-)* 21...Bxg7 22.Nxb7+-]



21.Ba3!

[Not 21.Nxg7+ Bxg7 22.Ba3 Qg4 23.Nxb7 Qxg3 24.hxg3 Bf8 25.Nd6+ Kd7=]

21...h4? 4.43/21

[21...Qg4 2.04/21 22.Nxf8 Bc6 *(22...Qxg3? 23.hxg3 Bc6 24.Ng6+-)*]

22.Qh3 Qb5 23.Nd4 Bxc5 24.Nxb5 White is clearly winning. **24...axb5 25.Bxc5 Rxc5 26.e6 f6 27.Qf5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.17 (very precise) /Black=0.94

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E18

□ **Alatortsev,Vladimir**
■ **Bohatirchuk,Fedor Parfenovich**
Moscow (16) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

E18: Queen's Indian: Old Main Line (4 g3 Bb7 5 Bg2 Be7 6 0-0 0-0 7 Nc3) E06: Ouverture catalane (variante fermée avec 5.Cf3) **1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.g3 Be7 5.Bg2 0-0 6.0-0 b6N**

[6...c5 7.cxd5 exd5 8.dxc5 Bxc5 9.a3 a6 10.b4 Ba7 11.Bb2 Nc6 12.Nbd2 Re8 13.Nb3 Bg4 14.Ra2 d4 15.Ba1 Be6 16.Ng5 Bc4 17.Rd2 Qe7 18.Bxc6 bxc6 19.Nxd4 Bxd4 20.Bxd4 Ng4 21.f4 1-0 Kozul,Z-Zelcic,R Rep. Tcheque-Croatie (match) Rabac 2004 (5)]

[6...c6 7.b3 *(7.Nc3 a5 8.b3 b6 9.Bb2 Ba6 10.a3 dxc4 11.bxc4 Bxc4 12.Ne5 Ba6 13.Qb3 Nd5 14.Rfe1 Bf6 15.Ne4 Bxe5 16.dxe5 Nd7 17.Qc2 Qc7 18.Ng5 g6 19.Qe4 Kg7 20.Qh4 h6 21.Ne4 Qd8* 0-1 Fadel,M (2498)-Rozman,L (2585) 103/40 Belgrad 2008 (11)*; 7.Qc2 dxc4 8.Qxc4 b5 9.Qc2 Bb7 10.Nbd2 c5 11.dxc5 Na6 12.Nb3 Be4 13.Qc3 Rc8 14.Be3 Nd5 15.Qd2 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Nxe3 17.Qxe3 Nxc5 18.Nxc5 Bxc5 19.Qb3 Qa5 20.Rfd1 Rc7 21.Rd3 Rfc8* ½-½ Kudr,R (1985)-Khan,V (2145) corr SA-2015-0-00475 Lechenicher SchachServer*)* 7...Nbd7 8.Ba3 Bxa3 9.Nxa3 b6 10.Rc1 Qe7 11.Nc2 Bb7 12.Ne3 c5 13.cxd5 Nxd5 14.Nc4 N5f6 15.dxc5 Nxc5 16.Qd6 Rfe8 17.Rfd1 Bd5 18.Qxe7 Rxe7 19.Nfe5 Kf8 20.Nd6 Bxg2 21.Kxg2 ½-½ Klitscher (2615)-Miles,E (2690) lichess.org 148/102 Internet 2021]

7.cxd5 exd5 8.Nc3 Bb7 9.Ne5 Na6 10.Bg5 h6 11.Bxf6 Bxf6 12.Ng4 A dynamic duo of knights. **12...c6** White is slightly better. **13.Nxf6+ Qxf6 14.e4 dxe4 15.Nxe4 Qe6 16.Re1 Qd7 17.Qa4 Rfd8 18.Rad1 Nc7 19.Nc3 Nd5** 0.72/23

[19...Nb5= 0.28/19 is superior.]

20.Nxd5± cxd5 21.Qxd7 Rxd7 22.Rc1 f5 1.72/22

[22...Rdd8± 0.63/21]

23.Re5 Rf8 24.Bh3 1.17/23

[⌓24.Bf1 1.60/22]

24...Rdf7 25.Bg2 -0.01/19

[25.a3± 1.36/22]

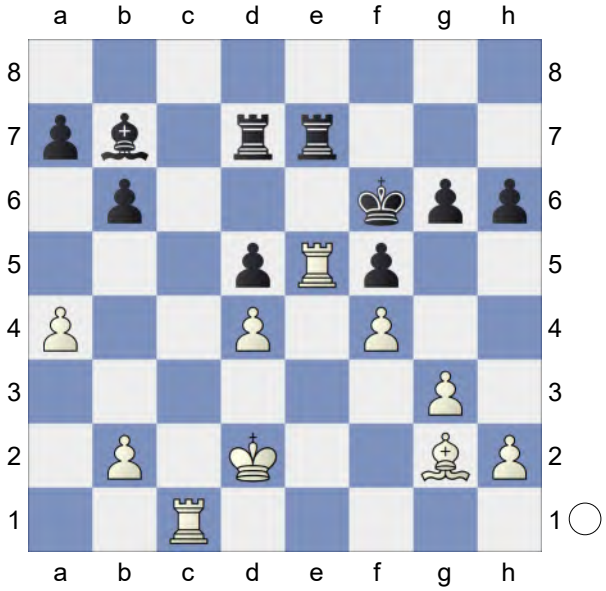
25...Rd8 1.49/21

[25...Rd7!= -0.01/19]

26.f4 1.04/23

[White should try 26.h4 1.49/21]

26...g6 27.Kf2 Kg7 28.Ke3 Rdd7 29.Kd2 Rfe7 30.a4 Kf6



31.a5 0.71/23 White has more active pieces. **31...Rd6 32.b4 Red7** 1.54/22

[⌓32...Bc6 0.80/22]

33.Rc3 0.43/22

[33.Bf1± 1.54/22 a6 34.Be2]

33...Re7 1.47/23

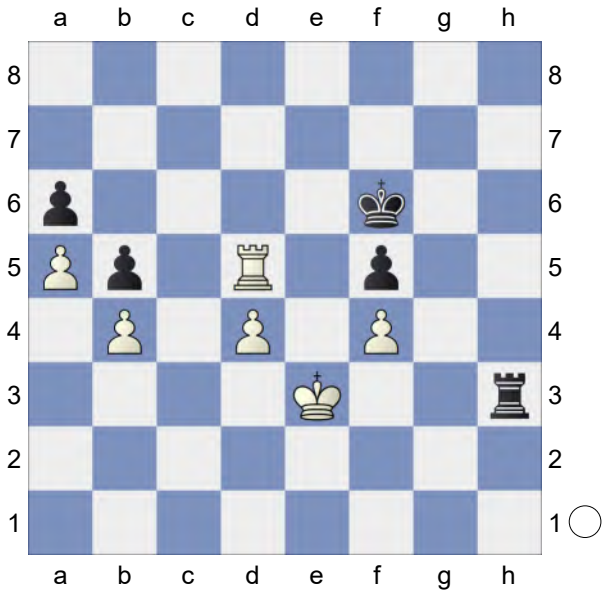
[33...Ba6± 0.43/22]
34.Kc2 0.75/22
[34.Rxe7 Kxe7 35.Re3+ Re6±]
[⌓34.h4 1.47/23]
34...Red7 35.Kb3 0.29/25
[35.Bf1± 1.01/24 bxa5 36.bxa5]
35...Ba6= 36.Ka4 b5 is the strong threat. **36...Bc4 37.Bf3 Re7 38.Ka3 Rdd7 39.Rce3 b5** 0.85/27
[39...Rc7± 0.40/23 might be stronger.]
40.Kb2± Rxe5 41.Rxe5± Endgame. KRB-KRB **41...h5 42.Kc3 Kf7 43.Kd2 Rd8 44.Ke3 Kf6 45.Kf2 Kf7** 0.85/29
[45...Ba2± 0.44/25 is more appropriate.]
46.Kg2± Kf6 47.Kh3! a6 48.Kh4 Bb3 49.h3 Bc4 50.g4 hxg4 51.hxg4 Rh8+ 52.Kg3 Hoping for gxf5. **52...Rd8 53.gxf5 gxf5 54.Kf2** 0.73/26
[⌓54.Re1! 1.19/27]
54...Bb3 55.Ke3 Bc4 56.Kd2 Ba2 57.Bg2 Rh8 1.36/25
[Better is 57...Rd6± 0.64/28]
58.Bxd5 Bxd5 59.Rxd5 KR-KR
59...Rh2+ 60.Ke3 aiming for Rd6+.
60...Rh3+ 61.Ke2 0.89/27
[⌓61.Kf2 1.44/30]
61...Rh2+ 62.Ke3 -0.01/25
[62.Kf3± 1.15/29]
62...Rh3+=

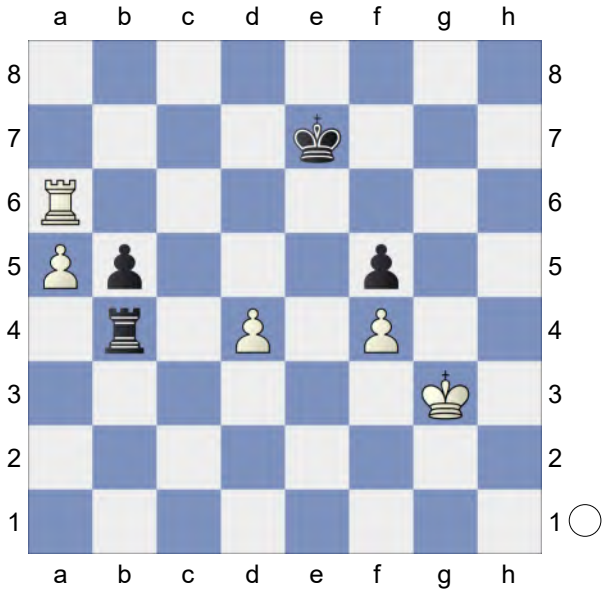
(Diagram)

63.Kf2! Black must now prevent Rd6+.
63...Rh2+ 64.Kg3 Rb2 65.Rd6+ Ke7 66.Rxa6 Rxb4

(Diagram)

67.Kh4? 0.01/28
[White should play 67.Rb6!± 1.59/28]
67...Rxd4 The position is equal. **68.Kg5**





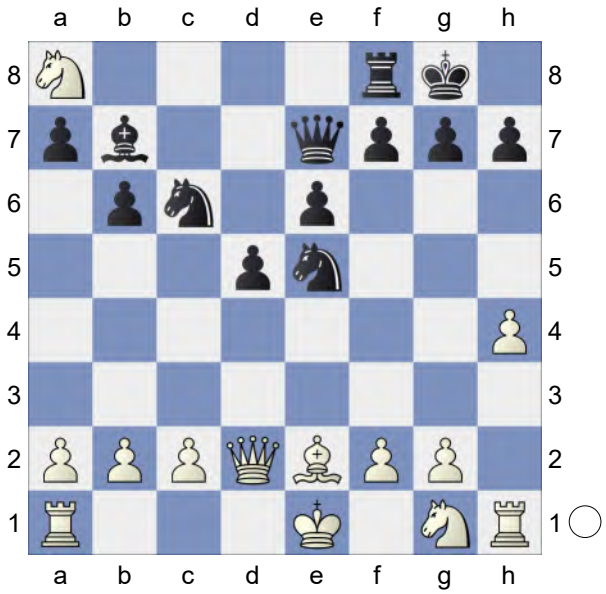
Threatens to win with Rb6! **68...Rd5 69.Rb6** And now a6 would win. **69...b4! 70.a6**
[70.Rxb4?! Rxa5 71.Kg6 Rc5±]
70...Ra5 71.Rb7+
[71.Rxb4 Rxa6 72.Kxf5 Rf6+ 73.Kg5 Rc6=]
71...Ke6 72.a7
[Don't play 72.Rxb4?! Rxa6 73.Rb1 Ra5±]
72...Ra1 73.Rb6+
[73.Kg6!? Rg1+□ 74.Kh6 Rh1+ 75.Kg7 Rg1+ 76.Kf8=]

73...Kf7 74.Rb7+
[But not 74.Rxb4?! Rxa7 75.Rb5 Kg8±]
74...Ke6 75.Rb6+
[75.Kg6!? Rg1+□ 76.Kh7 Rh1+ 77.Kg7 Rg1+ 78.Kh6 Rh1+ 79.Kg5 Rg1+ 80.Kh4 Rh1+ 81.Kg3 *(81.Kg5 Rg1+ 82.Kh4 Rh1+ 83.Kg3 Rg1+ 84.Kf3 Ra1±)* 81...Rg1+ 82.Kf3=]
75...Kf7 Weighted Error Value: White=0.21 (precise) /Black=0.21 (precise)
½-½

C13

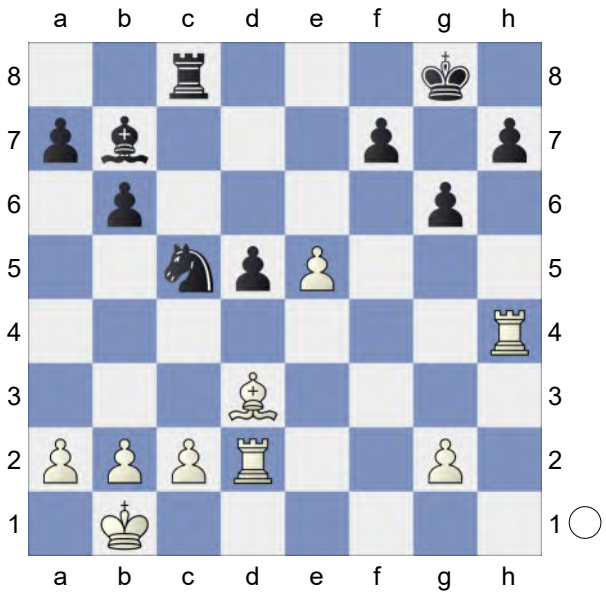
□ **Riumin,Nikolay Nikolaevich**
■ **Lilienthal,Andor**
Moscow (16) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

C14: French: Classical System: 4 Bg5 Be7 main line **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Be7 5.e5 Nfd7N**
[5...Ne4 6.Nxe4 dxe4 7.Be3 c5 8.dxc5 Nd7 9.Qg4 Qa5+ 10.c3 Bxc5 11.Qxg7 Rf8 12.Bxc5 Qxc5 13.0-0-0 Qxe5 14.Qh6 Nf6 15.Rd8+ Kxd8 16.Qxf8+ Kc7 17.Nh3 e3 18.Bc4 b5 19.Qxf7+ Bd7 20.f4 1-0 Iordachescu,V (2485)-Popescu,C (2300) ROM-chT Baile Tusnad 1997 Qe4 21.Qxf6 bxc4 22.Ng5 e2 23.Nxe4 1-0 Johansen,T (2485)-Ripley (2300) (ol) 14/421 Skopje 1972]
6.h4 c5 7.Bxe7 Qxe7 8.Nb5 0-0 9.Nc7! Nxe5 Discovered Attack **10.Nxa8 cxd4 11.Qxd4 Nbc6** White is better. **12.Qd2 b6** 1.70/19
[12...Ng4± 0.94/19]
13.Be2 1.21/19
[13.Rh3+- 1.70/19]
13...Bb7±

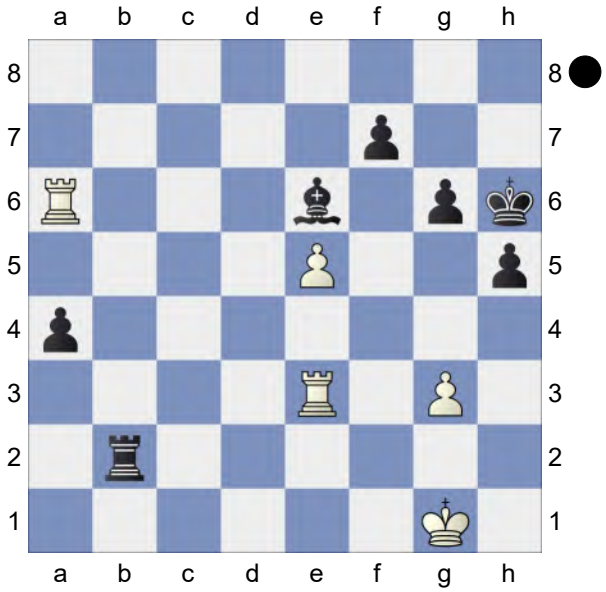


14.Nf3 0.57/21 **Rxa8** 1.11/21
[14...Nxf3+± 0.57/21 15.Bxf3 Rxa8]
15.Nxe5 Nxe5 16.0-0-0 Rc8 17.Rh3 Nc6 1.53/20
[⌓17...h6 0.94/20]
18.Kb1 e5 1.97/19
[18...Nb4± 1.38/20]
19.f4!+-
[19.Qxd5? Nd4 20.Rxd4 exd4-+ *(20...Bxd5? 21.Rxd5 Rd8 22.Rxd8+ Qxd8 23.Rh1-+)*]
19...Nd4 2.57/21
[⌓19...exf4 1.87/19 20.Bg4 Re8]
20.Re3
[20.fxe5 Rxc2 21.Qxd4 Rxe2±]
20...Qxh4 21.fxe5 Ne6 22.Rh3 Qf4 2.42/22
[⌓22...Qe7 1.87/22 23.Qd3 Ng5]
23.Bd3 1.04/21
[23.Qxf4+- 2.42/22 has better winning chances. Nxf4 24.Bg4]
23...Qxd2 1.59/23
[Black should try 23...g6 1.04/21]
24.Rxd2±
[24.Bxh7+?! Kf8 25.Rxd2 g6=]
24...g6 25.Rh4 0.78/21
[⌓25.Be2 1.42/20]
25...Nc5 1.14/20

[⌓25...Rc7 0.78/21]



26.g3 0.51/21
[26.b4!± 1.14/20 Nxd3 27.cxd3 *(27.Rxd3 Re8±)*]
26...Re8 27.Re2 -0.14/21
[27.b4± 0.79/22 Nxd3 28.Rxd3]
27...Ne4= 28.c4 Nc5 0.46/24
[28...Nxg3= -0.01/24 is more appropriate. 29.Re3 Nf5 30.Bxf5 gxf5]
29.Kc2 -0.01/20
[29.Rd4!± 0.46/24 feels stronger.]
29...Nxd3! 30.Kxd3 dxc4+! Endgame. KRR-KRB **31.Kc3**
[Don't play 31.Rxc4 Ba6 32.b3 h5-+ *(32...Bxc4+ 33.Kxc4 Kg7 34.g4∓)*]
31...Bd5 32.Rd4 -0.70/23
[32.g4= 0.01/24]
32...Be6∓ 33.Red2 Kg7 34.Rd8 Re7 35.Kd4 h5 36.Ke4 -1.03/26
[36.Ke3!∓ -0.67/24]
36...Rc7 37.Kf4 c3 38.bxc3 Rxc3 39.R8d3 Rc5 40.Ra3 Rc7 41.Rd8 -1.41/26
[⌓41.Ra6 -0.77/23]
41...Rc4+ -1.04/25
[⌓41...a5 -1.41/26 42.Rd2 Rc4+ 43.Ke3 Rb4]
42.Ke3 -1.53/25
[White should play 42.Kf3 -1.04/25]
42...a5∓ 43.Rd2 Rg4 44.Kf2 Rb4 Wards off Rb2 **45.Re3 Kh6** -1.08/25
[⌓45...b5 -1.47/24 46.a3 Rc4]
46.a3 Rb1 47.a4 -1.66/25
[47.Rd4∓ -0.91/24 was worth a try.]
47...b5 48.axb5 Rxb5 49.Rd6 a4 50.Ra6 Rb2+ 51.Kg1



Ra2! 52.Ra5 Kg5 Black is more active.
53.Kh1 -1.75/26
[53.Rd3∓ -1.27/25]
53...Kg4-+ Threatens to win with ...g5.
54.Kg1 -2.20/24
[⌓54.Re4+ -1.76/26 Kxg3 55.Raxa4]
54...g5 And now ...Kh3 would win.
55.Ra8 Bd5 -1.47/27
[Better is 55...Kh3-+ -1.87/27 ...Bc4 is the strong threat. 56.Rh8 Kg4]
56.Rd8∓ Be6 0.01/24
[56...Ra1+-+ -1.65/24 57.Kf2 Be6]
57.Rd4+? -1.56/26
[Only move: 57.Ra8!= 0.01/24]
57...Kf5 58.Rdd3 -2.64/24
[58.Re1∓ -1.47/24]

58...Rb2-+ 59.Rd1 -3.58/23
[59.Ra3 -2.30/24 might work better. Bb3 60.Kf1]
59...Rb3 60.Rf1+ Kg4 61.Re4+? -6.22/26
[61.Rff3 -3.04/25]
61...Kxg3 62.Rxa4 h4 63.Ra2 h3 Prevents Rg2+. **64.Re1 Bd5 65.Rd2 Bf3 66.Rf2 g4** Hoping for ...Kf4. **67.Rh2 Kf4 68.Rf2 Rb5** -8.88/27 Weighted Error Value: White=0.35/ Black=0.24 (precise)
[⌓68...g3 -#9/20 69.Rxf3+ Rxf3 70.Rf1 h2+ 71.Kg2 Rxf1 Remove Defender, Deflection 72.Kxf1 h1Q+ *(72...h1R+* is a self mate. *73.Ke2 g2 74.Kd2 g1Q 75.Kc3 Qb1 76.Kd4 Qc2 77.Kd5 Rd1#)* 73.Ke2 Qc1 *(73...Kxe5* gets mated. *74.Ke3 g2 75.Ke2 g1Q 76.Kd2 Qd4+ 77.Ke2 Qhd1#)* 74.Kd3 g2 *(74...Kxe5 75.Ke2 g2 76.Kd3 g1Q 77.Ke2 Qgf1#)* 75.Kd4 g1Q+ 76.Kd5 Qgd1#]
0-1

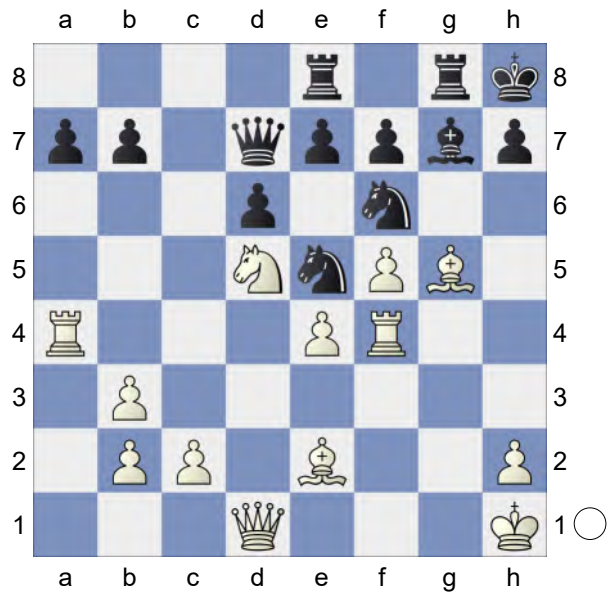
B70

□ **Romanovsky,Peter Arsenievich**
■ **Rabinovich,Ilya Leontievich**
Moscow (16) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

B70: Sicilian Dragon: 6 g3 and 6 Be2 (without a later Be3) **1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 Nc6 6.Be2 g6 7.0-0 Bg7 8.Nb3 0-0 9.f4** -0.37/18
[9.Be3= 0.00/19 deserves consideration.]
9...Be6N 0.07/18
[9...b5!∓ -0.37/18]
[9...a5 10.a4 Qb6+ 11.Kh1 Nb4 12.Bf3 Be6 13.Ra3 Rac8 14.Re1 Ng4 15.Bxg4 Bxg4 16.Qxg4 Bxc3 17.Re2 Bxb2 18.Bxb2 Nxc2 19.Qf3 Nxa3 20.Bxa3 Rc4 21.Nd2 Rxa4 22.e5 Qd4 23.Nf1 b5 24.exd6 0-1 Roedl,L-Engels,L Bad Nauheim Olympia Trainingsturnier 1935 (4) exd6 25.g3 Rc8 26.Bb2 Qc5 27.Ne3 Ra2 28.Rc2 Qxc2 29.Nxc2 Rxb2 30.Ne1 Rc1 31.Qe4 Rbb1 32.Kg2 Rxe1 33.Qa8+ Kg7 34.Qxa5 b4 35.f5 Rb2+ 36.Kh3 Ree2 37.Kg4 Rf2 38.f6+ Rxf6 39.h3 0-1 Semrl,M-Kohn,H ch-semi-finals Leeuwarden NED 2001 (4)]
10.f5 Bxb3 0.19/19
[⌓10...Bd7 -0.21/19]
11.axb3= Qb6+ The position is equal.
12.Kh1 Ne5 13.g4 0.11/18
[13.Nd5± 0.54/19 Nxd5 14.exd5]
13...Qc6 14.Ra4↑ White is more active.
14...gxf5 15.Nd5 Rae8 16.gxf5 Kh8 17.Bg5
[17.Rxa7 Nxe4 18.Ra4 Nf6]
17...Rg8 0.51/20
[Better is 17...a6= 0.01/20]
18.Rf4 0.01/20
[18.Rxa7 Nxe4 19.Bxe7 *(19.Nxe7? Nf2+* Discovered Attack (Double Check), Double Attack *20.Kg1 Nh3#)* 19...Rxe7-+]
[White should try 18.Rb4± 0.51/20 Qd7 19.Bb5]
18...Qd7? 3.64/21
[18...Qc8= 0.01/20 and Black is okay.]

(Diagram)

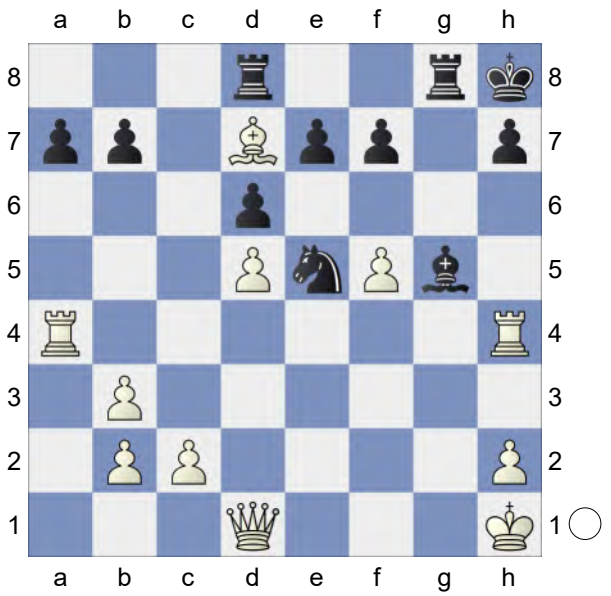
This move loses the game for Black.
19.Rh4!+- Black must now prevent Qf1.
[19.Rxa7 Nxd5 20.Qxd5 Qc8=]



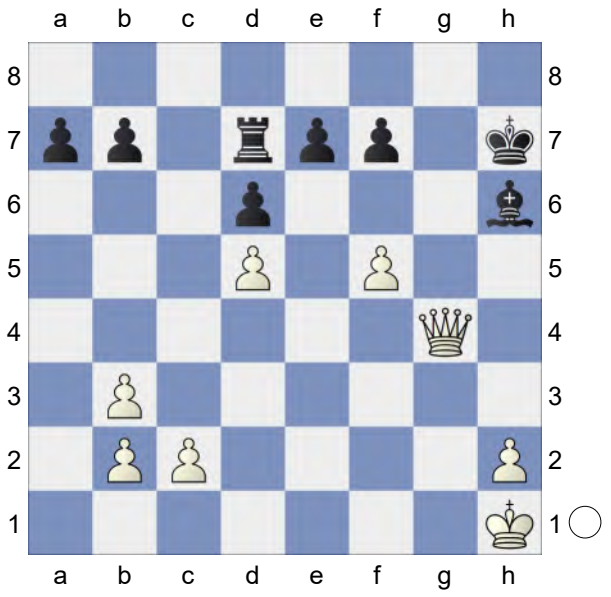
19...Nxd5 4.73/21
[19...b5 3.01/19 might work better.]
20.Bb5 White wants to mate with Rxh7+. A strong pair of Bishops.
[20.Qxd5 Bf6 21.Bxf6+ *(21.Bb5? Qc7-+)* 21...exf6∓]
20...Bh6 6.47/23
[20...Qxb5 21.Rxh7+ *(21.Qxd5? Qf1#)* 21...Kxh7 22.Qh5+]
[⌓20...Nf6 4.37/20 21.Bxd7 Nexd7 22.Rxa7 Rb8]
21.Bxd7 Bxg5 22.exd5 Rd8 10.82/22
[⌓22...Bxh4 4.78/21 23.Bxe8 Bg5]

(Diagram)

23.Rxh7+!! Kxh7 24.Qh5+ Bh6 25.Rh4! Ng4 26.Rxg4 8.83/23
[Not 26.Qxf7+ Rg7±]
[⌓26.h3 #10/22 Rg5 27.Qxg5 Rg8 28.Qh5 *(28.Qxe7 Nf2+ 29.Kh2 Kg7 30.Rxh6* Deflection *Kxh6 31.Qf6+ Kh5 32.Qxf7+ Kg5 33.Qxg8+ Kf4)* 28...e5 29.hxg4 *(29.Rxg4 Rxg4 30.hxg4 Kg7 31.g5 Kf8 32.f6 Bg7 33.Qh7 Bxf6 34.gxf6 b6 35.Qh8#)* 29...Rg6 30.fxg6+ Kg7 31.Qxh6+



Kf6 32.g7+ Ke7 33.g8Q *(33.g8R Kxd7 34.Qf8 e4 35.Qxf7#)* 33...Kxd7 34.Qxf7+ Kd8 35.Qh8#]
26...Rxg4 27.Qxg4 Rxd7



28.f6! Weighted Error Value: White=0.28 (precise) /Black=1.02
1-0

D61

□ **Stahlberg,Gideon**
■ **Capablanca,Jose Raul**
Moscow (16) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

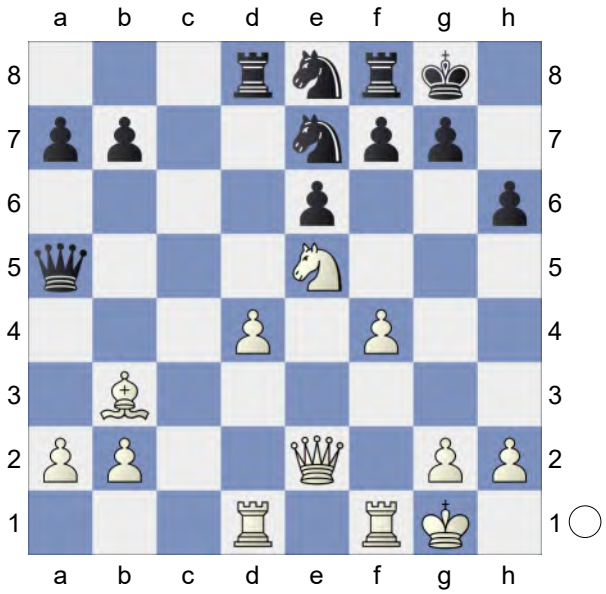
D61: Queen's Gambit Declined: Classical: 7 Qc2 **1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3 Be7 5.Bg5 0-0 6.e3 Nbd7 7.Qc2 h6 8.Bh4 c5 9.Rd1 Qa5 10.Bd3** -0.23/20
[10.cxd5 0.24/21 feels stronger. exd5 11.Be2]
10...cxd4 11.exd4 dxc4 12.Bxc4 Nb6 The position is equal. **13.Bb3 Bd7 14.0-0 Bc6N**
[14...Rac8 15.Ne5 Bb5 16.Rfe1 Nbd5 17.Bxd5 Nxd5 18.Bxe7 Nxe7 19.Qb3 Bc6 20.Nxc6 bxc6 21.Re5 Qb6 22.Qc2 Rfd8 23.Ne2 Rd5 24.Rxd5 cxd5 25.Qd2 Nf5 26.b3 h5 27.h3 h4 28.Qd3 Rc6 29.Kf1 0-1 Lasker,E-Capablanca,J 10th matchgame, Havana 1921]
15.Ne5 Bd5 16.Nxd5 Nbxd5 17.Qe2 Rad8 1.21/18
[Black should play 17...Nf4± 0.39/18 18.Qf3 N4d5]
18.f4!± White is more active. **18...Ne8?** 3.16/20
[18...g6± 0.91/18 might work better.]
19.Bxe7 Nxe7

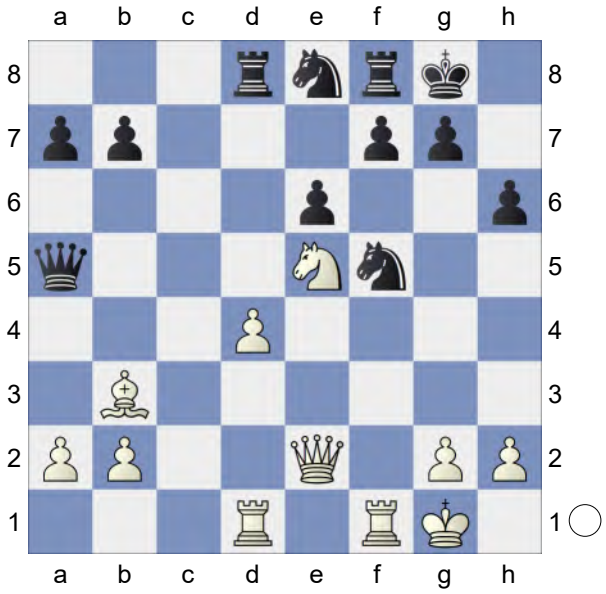
(Diagram)

20.f5! Nxf5
[20...Nc7 21.f6]

(Diagram)

21.Nxf7! Rxf7 22.Qxe6 Ned6
[Stronger than 22...Nxd4 23.Qxf7+ Kh7 24.Qg8+ *(24.Qxb7 Nxb3 25.Rxd8 Qxd8+-)* 24...Kg6 25.Rxd4 Rxd4 26.Qxe8+ Kg5 27.Qe3+ Kg6 28.Bf7+ *(28.Qxd4 Qb6 29.Bc2+ Kh5 30.Rf5+ g5 31.Qxb6 axb6 32.Rb5 Kg4 33.Bg6 Kf4 34.Kf2 h5 35.g3+ Kg4 36.Bf5#)* 28...Kh7 29.Qe8 *(29.Qxd4 Qb6+-)* 29...h5 30.Qg8+ *(30.Bxh5 Qc5+-)* 30...Kh6 31.Qh8+ Kg5 32.Qxh5#]





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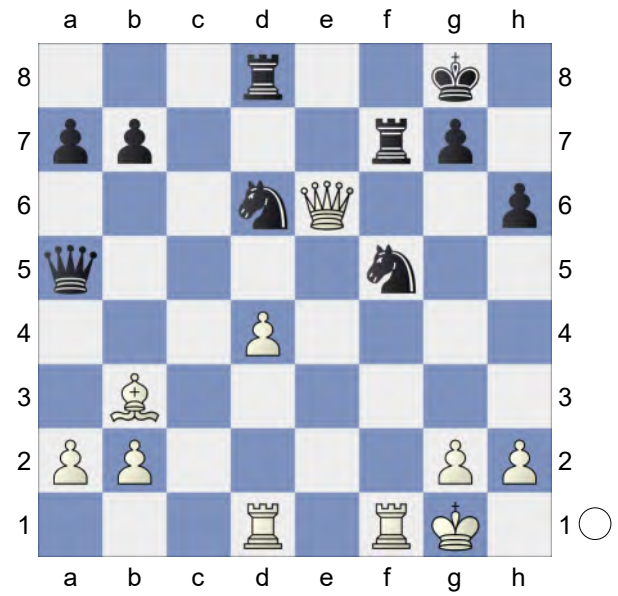


23.g4? 0.24/20
[23.Qe5!+- 3.81/23 Qxe5 24.dxe5]
23...Kh8!= ...Re7 would now be deadly.
24.Qe5 0.70/21
[24.gxf5= 0.30/23 Rxf5 25.Bc2]
24...Qxe5± Remove Defender **25.dxe5 Ne3** Discovered Attack, Double Attack **26.Bxf7 Nxd1 27.exd6 Rxd6** Weighted Error Value: White=0.30/ Black=0.46
½-½

D05

□ **Pirc,Vasja**
■ **Stahlberg,Gideon**
Moscow (17) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A47: 1 d4 Nf6 2 Nf3 b6: Torre, London and Colle Systems **1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.e3 e6**
[3...c5 4.b3 Nc6 5.Bb2 Bg4 6.Be2 e6 7.0-0 Bd6 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Bh5 10.dxc5 Bxc5 11.c4 Qe7 12.Ne5 Bxe2 13.Qxe2 Nxe5 14.Bxe5 Rfd8 15.Rad1 Rac8 16.Bxf6 Qxf6 17.cxd5 Rxd5 18.Ne4 1-0 3..Nf6 (2530)-F: 5 Nf3 Ng6 6 h4 (2405) European Team Ch Pula 1997]
4.Nbd2N
[4.Bd3 c5 5.c3 *(5.b3 b6 6.0-0 Bb7 7.Bb2 Nbd7 8.Nbd2 Be7 9.Ne5 0-0 10.f4 cxd4 11.exd4 Ne4 12.Qe2 f5* 10) Queen ⇗s Gambit Declined-Queen ⇗s Gambit Declined Odds 1… e6 Against Everything 2024*)* 5...b6 6.Nbd2 Bb7 7.0-0 Nbd7 8.Qe2 Be7 9.e4 dxe4 10.Nxe4 0-0 Beginner Guide Sarin Queen'-Sarin Queen'S Gambit Colle,S 1… e6 Against Everything 2024]
4...Be7 5.Bd3 b6 6.e4 dxe4 7.Nxe4 Bb7 8.Qe2 Nbd7 9.0-0 0-0 10.Rd1 Nxe4 11.Bxe4 Bxe4 12.Qxe4 Nf6 13.Qc6 Qd5 0.88/21
[13...a5= 0.17/22 remains equal.]
14.Qxd5 0.01/23
[14.Qxc7± 0.88/21 Bd6 15.Qc3]
14...Nxd5 The position is equal. **15.c4 Nf6 16.Bg5 Rfd8 17.Ne5 Kf8 18.Nc6 Rd7 19.Bf4 Bd6 20.Bg5 Be7 21.Bf4 Bd6 22.Bg5 Be7 23.Bf4 Bd6 24.Bg5 Be7** Weighted Error Value: White=0.17 (very precise) /Black=0.11 (very precise)
½-½

E85

□ **Capablanca,Jose Raul**
■ **Menchik,Vera**
Moscow (17) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

E85: King's Indian: Sämisch: 6...e5 Kragelj,I: 'Inf 70/(538)' Inf 52/(619) **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.f3 0-0 6.Be3 e5 7.Nge2 a6N**
[7...c6
A) 8.Qd2
A1) 8...Nbd7 9.d5 *(9.0-0-0 a6*

10.Kb1 b5 11.Nc1 bxc4 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Qxd6 Qxd6 14.Rxd6 Be6 15.Be2 Rfb8 16.Kc2 Ne8 17.Rxe6 fxe6 18.f4 Bh6 19.g4 Nd7 20.Bxc4 Nf8 21.g5 Bg7 22.Bc5 Bxc3 23.bxc3 Rb7 Jezek,J (2235)-Klaic,P corr 52/(619) 1987) 9...Nb6 10.Ng3 cxd5 11.cxd5 Bd7 12.Rc1 Rc8 13.b3 Ne8 14.Bd3 f5 15.Nge2 Nf6 16.0-0 E 86/04-N,N Chess Informant ECO E4 Survey 2008;

A2) 8...exd4 9.Nxd4 d5 10.cxd5 cxd5 11.e5 Ne8 12.f4 f6 13.exf6 Nxf6 14.Be2 Nc6 15.0-0 Re8 16.Kh1 Ng4 17.Bxg4 Bxg4 18.Bf2 Qf6 19.Nxd5 Qd8 20.Nf3 Bxf3 21.gxf3 Nd4 22.Nc3 Nxf3 ½-½ Valencia Chara,A (2434)-5.dc5 ♗c5 6.♗f4_44689 (2584) WT/M/523 corr ICCF 1991 (8.8);

B) 8.Qb3 Nbd7 9.0-0-0 Qa5 10.Kb1 Re8 11.d5 Nc5 12.Qc2 cxd5 13.Nxd5 Nxd5 14.Rxd5 Be6 15.Rxd6 Na4 16.Bd2 Qc5 17.Rxe6 Rxe6 18.Qxa4 Rd8 19.Bc1 Qf2 20.Nc3 Qe1 21.g3 Qf2 22.Qc2 Kragelj,I (2250)-Sutovsky,E (2560) (open) 70/(538) Portoroz 1997]

8.Qd2 Bd7 1.26/21

[8...exd4± 0.55/18 9.Nxd4 *(9.Bxd4 Nc6=)* 9...Nc6]

9.d5 0.85/20

[⌓9.dxe5 1.26/21 dxe5 10.0-0-0]

9...Ne8 1.41/18

[⌓9...b5 0.85/20]

10.g4± White is clearly better. **10...h6** Inhibits h4. **11.h4**

[11.Bxh6? is the wrong capture. Qh4+ 12.Ng3 Bxh6-+]

11...Kh7 12.Ng3 c5 13.Bd3 Qa5 2.24/20

[⌓13...b6 1.85/19 14.g5 h5]

14.Qe2 Rh8 15.a3 Qd8 16.b4 b6 17.Qb2 Bc8 18.Ke2 Nd7 19.Rag1 White is much more active. The black rooks are passive. **19...Rb8 20.b5 a5 21.Kd1 Kg8 22.Qd2 Nf8 23.Kc2 f6 24.g5** 1.05/18

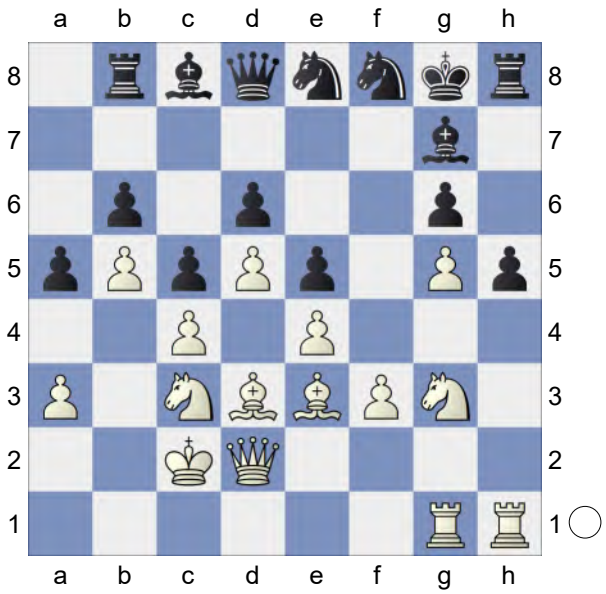
[⌓24.Rh2 1.57/17]

24...fxg5 2.05/18

[24...hxg5± 1.05/18 was worth a try. 25.hxg5 Rxh1 26.Nxh1 *(26.Rxh1 Rb7±)* 26...fxg5]

25.hxg5+- h5 2.28/22

[⌓25...hxg5 1.86/20 26.Bxg5 Qd7 27.Rxh8+ Bxh8]



26.Nf5! Kf7 3.36/21

[⌓26...Rh7 2.35/19 27.Nh6+ Bxh6]

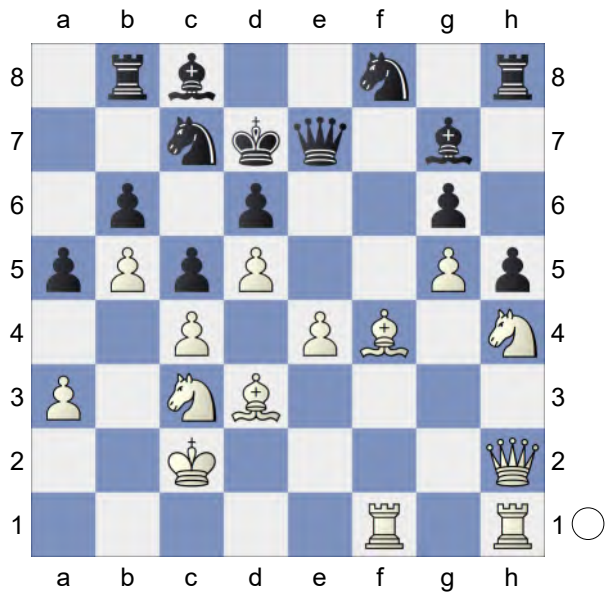
[26...Rb7 27.Nh6+]

27.Nh4 Qe7 28.Qh2 Nc7 4.77/19

[28...Kg8 3.27/19 keeps fighting. 29.Qf2 Rb7]

29.Rf1 White is clearly winning. **29...Ke8 30.f4 exf4 31.Bxf4 Kd7**

(Diagram)

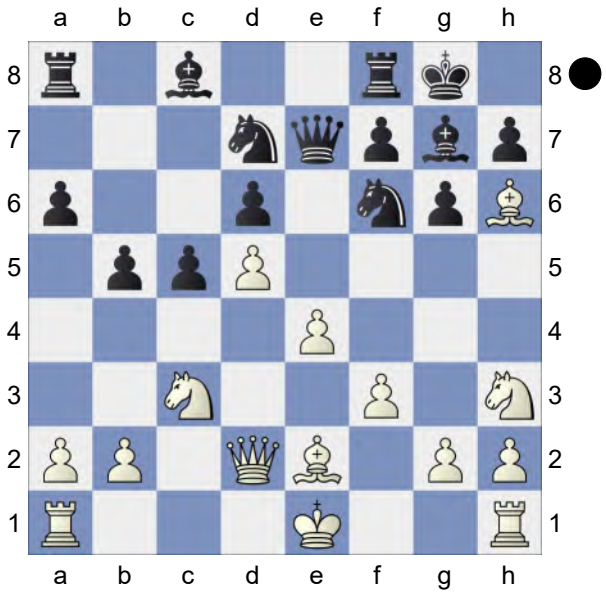


32.Bxd6! Deflection. Weighted Error Value: White=0.14 (very precise) / Black=0.39
1-0

A65

□ **Chekhover,Vitaly**
■ **Alatortsev,Vladimir**
Moscow (17) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A65: Modern Benoni: 6 e4 **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.f3**
[3.g3 Bg7 4.Bg2 0-0 5.Nc3 c5 6.Nf3 cxd4 7.Nxd4 Nc6 8.0-0 Ng4 9.e3 d6 10.b3 Nxd4 11.exd4 Nh6 12.Bb2 Nf5 13.d5 Bd7 14.Qd2 Qa5 15.Rfd1 Rac8 16.Ne4 Qxd2 17.Rxd2 Bxb2 Chitrit,N (2663)-Hamoushi,M (2583) IBM Amsterdam 1963]
[3.Nd2 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Ngf3 0-0 6.Bd3 c5 7.d5 e6 8.0-0 Re8 9.h3 Na6 10.Re1 Bd7 11.Nf1 exd5 12.cxd5 c4 13.Bc2 Nc5 14.Ng3 Bb5 15.Bg5 h6 16.Bd2 Nfd7 17.Bc3 Ba6 1-0 Lazarevic,M (2646)-9.b3 ♖e8 10. h3 _ 6 7 6 9 7 (2 5 3 1) French Championship Cande 2011]
3...c5N
[3...Nc6 4.e4 e5 5.dxe5 Nxe5 6.Be3 Bg7 7.Nc3 0-0 8.Qd2 d6 9.Rd1 c6 10.b3 d5 11.Nge2 Qa5 12.cxd5 cxd5 13.exd5 Re8 14.Ng3 Neg4 15.fxg4 Qb6 16.Be2 Qxe3 17.Qxe3 Rxe3 18.g5 Gomez Vasquez,L-Machado Escanio, M 4.d4 cxd4 5.Nxd4 Rare moves 2023 Rxc3 19.gxf6 Bxf6 20.0-0 Bd8 21.Bc4 Rc2 22.a4 Bd7 3 Chapter-Games Chapter 1 Game]
4.d5 e6 5.Nc3 d6 6.e4 exd5 7.cxd5 Bg7 8.Bb5+ Nbd7 9.Bf4 -0.79/23
[9.a4± 0.34/22 stays ahead.]
9...Qe7 -0.22/24
[9...a6∓ -0.79/23 10.Be2 Ne5]
10.Qd2 The position is equal. **10...a6 11.Be2 b5 12.Nh3 0-0 13.Bh6?** -2.94/21
[13.0-0= -0.19/20 and White stays safe.]



13...Nxe4!-+ Decoy **14.Nxe4** Bxg7 would now be deadly. **14...Qh4+ 15.g3 Qxh6**

[Inferior is 15...Qxh3 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.0-0-0= *(17.Nxd6 Nf6=)*]

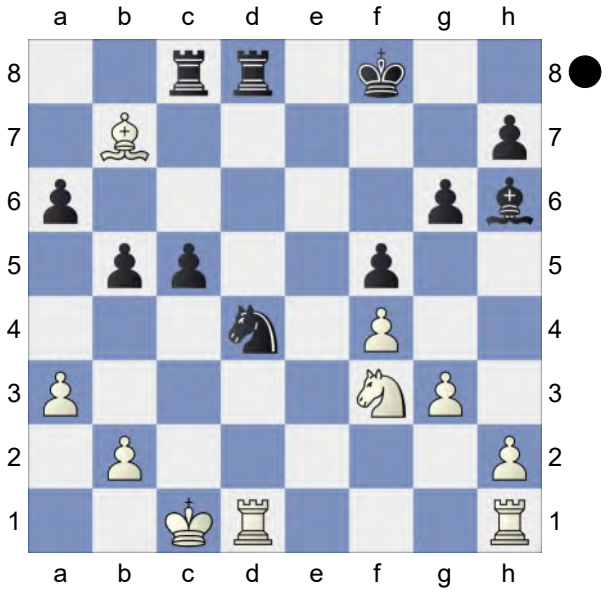
16.Qxh6 Bxh6 17.Nxd6 Nb6 18.Nxc8 Raxc8 19.f4 Rfe8

[Less strong is 19...Nxd5 20.0-0-0 Nb4 21.Kb1∓]

20.Ng1 Nxd5 21.0-0-0 Nb4 22.a3 Nc6 23.Bg4 f5 24.Bf3 Nd4 ...Kf8 is the strong threat. **25.Bd5+?** -3.57/20

[25.Bb7 -1.70/18 Rc7 26.Bd5+ Kf8 27.Nf3]

25...Kf8 26.Nf3 Red8 27.Bb7



Black must now prevent Nxd4. **27...Rc7! 28.Bxa6 Ra8 29.Nxd4 cxd4+ 30.Kb1 Rxa6 31.Rxd4 Bg7 32.Rd8+ Kf7 33.Rb8 Raa7 34.Rxb5 Rab7 35.Rxb7 Rxb7** Endgame. KRB-KR **36.b4 Ke6 37.Rc1 Kd6 38.Ka2 Bd4 39.Rc8 Bg1 40.Rc2 Rc7 41.Rd2+ Kc6 42.Kb3 Rd7 43.Rc2+ Kb6** Hoping for ...Rd3+. **44.Re2?** -3.12/24

[44.a4∓ -1.40/18 was the only defense.]

44...Kc6? -1.17/22

[44...Rd3+-+ -3.12/24 and Black stays clearly on top. 45.Ka4 Be3]

45.Rc2+ Kd5 And now ...Re7 would win. **46.a4 Re7 47.a5 Bd4 48.b5?** -4.22/26

[48.Ka4∓ -1.29/18]

48...Re3+ 49.Kb4 Strongly threatening b6. **49...Re4 50.Rd2?** -4.70/28

[50.b6 -2.76/22 is a better defense. Bxb6+ Discovered Attack (Check) 51.Kb5]

50...Re1 Threatens to win with ...Rb1+. **51.a6 Rb1+ 52.Ka5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.46/Black=0.21 (precise) **0-1**

A80

□ **Flohr,Salo**
■ **Riumin,Nikolay Nikolaevich**
Moscow (17) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A80: Dutch Defence: Unusual White second moves **1.d4 f5 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.Bg5 d6 4.Nf3 Nc6N**

[4...d5 5.e3 e6 6.g4 fxg4 7.Ne5 Be7 8.Bd3 Nbd7 9.Rg1 Nxe5 10.dxe5 Nd7 11.Qxg4 Bxg5 12.Qh5+ g6 13.Bxg6+ hxg6 14.Qxh8+ Nf8 15.0-0-0 c6 16.Ne4 Be7 17.Rxg6 Avoiding The Leningrad-D5,E 2010]

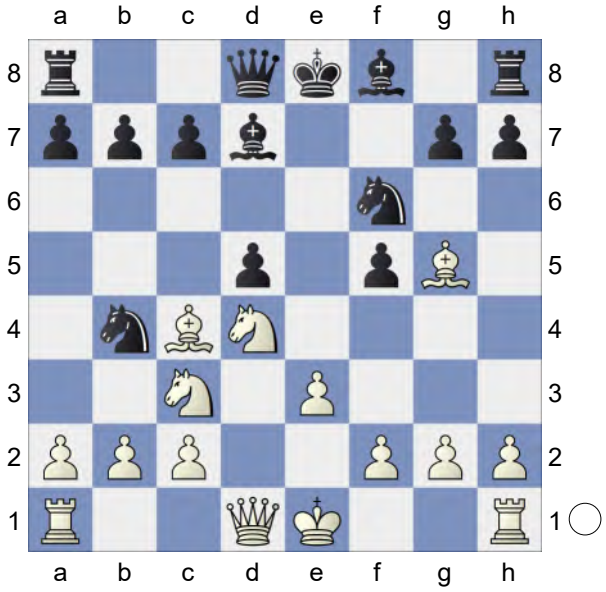
[4...g6 5.Bxf6 exf6 6.d5 Nd7 7.g3 Ne5 8.Bg2 Qe7 9.e3 Bd7 10.Ne2 0-0-0 11.Nfd4 g5 12.c3 Bh6 13.0-0 Rdg8 14.Qc2 f4 15.Nf5 Bxf5 16.Qxf5+ Kb8 17.exf4 gxf4 18.Nxf4 Bxf4 19.Qxf4 ½-½ 8.♕d2 a6 9.0-0-0 ♕c7 (2580)-Dvalishvili,A (2511) Beer-Sheva 95/161 2005 (4)]

[4...Nbd7 5.e3 g6 6.Bd3 Bg7 7.h3 c6 8.g4 fxg4 9.hxg4 Nf8 10.Bxf6 Bxf6 11.Nd2 Bg7 12.f4 A 80/12-N,N 2000]

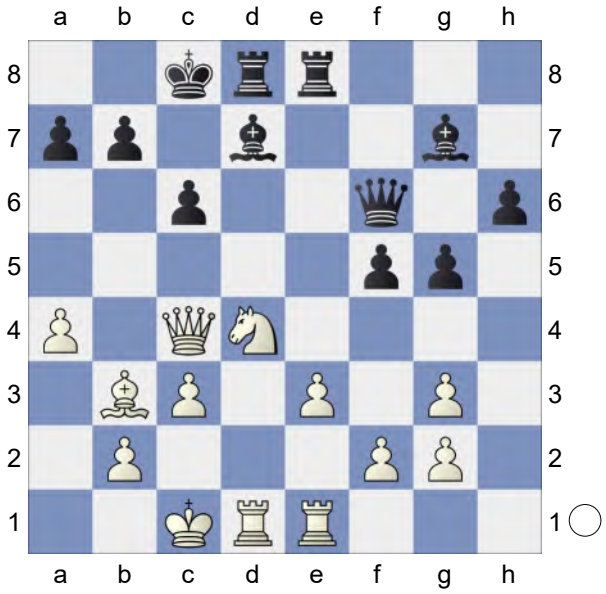
5.e3 e6 6.d5 Nb4 1.78/21

[6...exd5± 0.84/20 7.Bxf6 *(7.Nxd5*

Be7=) 7...Qxf6]
7.dxe6+- Bxe6 8.Nd4 1.39/19
[8.Bb5+!+- 1.87/22 Bd7 9.Bxd7+ Qxd7 10.Bxf6 gxf6 11.Qe2]
8...Bd7± 9.Bc4 d5 1.98/22
[9...c6± 1.36/20 was necessary.]



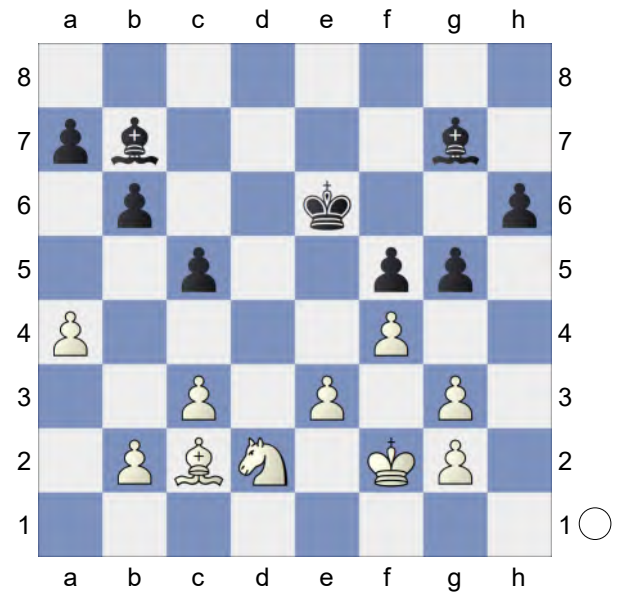
10.Nxd5!+- Nbxd5 11.Bxd5 Pin **11...c6 12.Bb3** aiming for Ne6. **12...h6 13.Bf4** White is more active. **13...g5 14.Bg3 Qe7** Against Ne6 **15.Qe2** 0-0-0 would now be deadly. **15...0-0-0 16.0-0-0!** Black must now prevent Qf3. **16...Ne4 17.Qc4** Threatens to win with Ne6. **17...Bg7 18.Rhe1** 0.40/19
[18.Nb5!± 1.47/20 Nxg3 19.Nd6+ *(19.hxg3 Rhf8+-)* 19...Kb8 20.hxg3 *(20.fxg3 Rhf8=)*]
18...Rhf8 0.77/18
[18...Rhe8± 0.40/19 is superior.]
19.a4 0.37/19
[19.c3± 0.77/18]
19...Qf6 1.41/20
[19...f4± 0.37/19 20.exf4 gxf4]
20.c3!± Hoping for Ne6. **20...Nxg3 21.hxg3 Rfe8** 2.00/19
[21...Kb8± 1.37/18 22.Ne6 Qxe6 *(22...b5? 23.axb5 Bxe6 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.Qxe6+-)* 23.Qxe6 Bxe6 24.Rxd8+ *(24.Bxe6 Rxd1+ 25.Kxd1 Rf6±)* 24...Rxd8 25.Bxe6 Rf8]



22.Qf7 0.90/21
[22.Re2!+- 2.00/19 has better winning chances.]
22...c5 2.14/23
[22...Qxf7± 0.90/21 23.Bxf7 Re7]
23.Qxf6+- Bxf6 24.Nf3 0.84/23
[24.Nb5+- 1.92/23]
24...Kc7± 25.Bc2 Bc8 26.Rxd8 Rxd8 27.Rd1 0.33/20
[27.Rh1± 0.88/20 Rh8 28.Kd1]
27...Rxd1+± 28.Kxd1 Endgame. KBB-KBN **28...Kd6 29.Ke2 b6 30.Nd2 Bg7 31.f4 Ke6 32.Bb3+ Ke7 33.Kf2 Bb7 34.Bc2 Ke6** 0.87/21
[34...Kf6± 0.38/25]

(Diagram)

35.e4 0.28/22
[35.Bd1!± 0.87/21]
35...fxe4= 36.Bxe4 Bc8 37.Bd3 Bb7 38.a5 Bf6 0.54/20
[38...Bc6= 0.15/24 might be



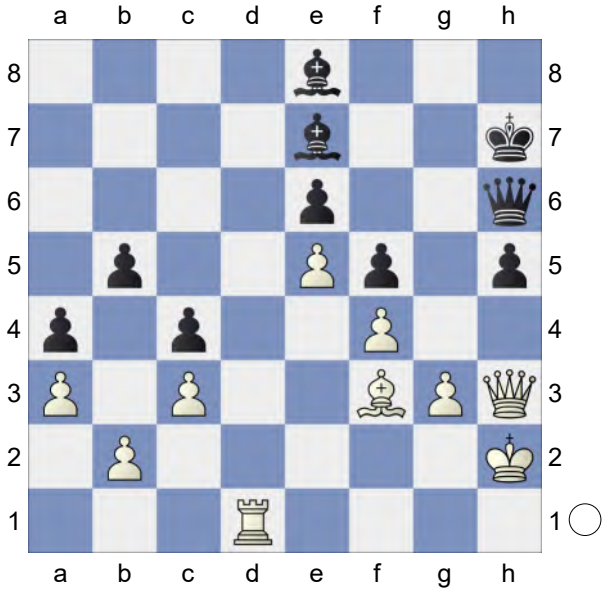
stronger.]
39.axb6 axb6 40.Be4 Ba6 41.Ke3 Be7 42.Nf3 Bf6 43.Nh2 Bg7 44.Ng4 b5 45.Bd3 c4 46.Be4 Bc8 47.Nh2 b4 The position is equal. **48.Kd2 bxc3+ 49.bxc3 Kd6 50.Nf1 Be6 51.Ne3 Kc5 52.Bf3 Bf8 53.Nc2 Bg7 54.Nb4 Bd7 55.Na2 Bf5 56.Nc1 Bg6 57.Ne2 Bd3 58.Ng1 Bg6 59.Nh3 Kd6 60.Nf2**
[60.fxg5 hxg5 61.Nf2 *(61.Nxg5? perishes. Bh6-+)* 61...Be5]
60...Bh7 61.Nd1 Kc5 62.Ne3 Bg8 63.Nf5 Bf8 64.Nd4 Bg7 65.Ne2 Be6 66.Ke3 Kd6 67.Nd4 Bd7 68.Bh5 Kc5 69.Bg6 Bf6 70.Be4 Bc8 71.Ne2 Kd6 72.Kf3 Bd7 73.Ke3 Bc8 74.Ba8 Bg4 75.Bf3 Bc8 76.Nd4 Bd7 77.f5 Be8 78.g4 Bf7 79.Bb7 Kc5 80.Ne2 Be5 81.Ke4 Bf6 82.Ke3 Be5 83.Ke4 Bf6 84.Nd4 Kd6 85.g3 Kc5 86.Ne2 Kd6 87.Ke3 Kc7 88.Ba8 Kd7 89.Bf3 Kc7 90.Kd2 Kd6 White really could win this. Weighted Error Value: White=0.17 (very precise) /Black=0.16 (very precise)
½-½

B10

□ **Kan,Ilia Abramovich**
■ **Ragozin,Viacheslav**
Moscow (17) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

B15: Caro-Kann: 3 Nc3: 3...g6 and 3...dxe4 4 Nxe4 Nf6 5 Nxf6+ exf6 Inf 46/(167) **1.e4 c6 2.Nc3 d5 3.Nf3 dxe4 4.Nxe4 Nf6 5.Ng3 g6N**
[5...h5 6.h3 h4 7.Ne2 Bf5 8.d4 e6 9.c3 Be7 10.Nf4 Nbd7 11.Bd3 Bxd3 12.Nxd3 Qa5 13.Qe2 0-0-0 14.Bf4 Qf5 15.0-0-0 Nd5 16.Bh2 N7b6 17.Qe5 Qxe5 18.Ndxe5 Rhf8 19.c4 Nc7 20.Rhe1 Balashov,Y (2540)-Fischer,T West Berlin West Berlin 46/(167) 1988]
[5...c5 6.b3 Nc6 7.Bb2 e6 8.Bb5 Bd7 9.0-0 Be7 10.Qe2 0-0 11.Bxc6 Bxc6 12.Ne5 Qc7 13.f4 Rae8 14.Rad1 b6 15.c4 Bb7 Caro Kann-4. ♘c3 ♕b6 5.g4 ♗d7_3919 Survey 2018]
6.Bc4 Bg7 7.d4 0-0 8.0-0 Bg4 9.c3 Nbd7 10.Re1 Nb6 The position is equal. **11.Bb3 a5 12.a3 a4 13.Ba2 Nbd5 14.h3 Bc8** 1.20/23
[14...Bxf3± 0.58/21 15.Qxf3 h5]
15.Bg5± h6 16.Bd2 b5 17.Ne5 Qb6 18.Nd3 Inhibits c5. **18...Ra7 19.Qf3 Kh7 20.Rad1 Rd7 21.Bc1 Qd8 22.Bb1 Rd6 23.Ne5 Qe8** 1.67/23
[23...Qc7± 1.15/20 keeps fighting.]
24.h4 Threatens to win with h5. **24...Kg8 25.h5** White has more active pieces. **25...Nxh5** 2.08/18
[25...g5± 1.25/24 26.Bd2 Qd8]
26.Nxh5+- gxh5 27.Qxh5 f5 28.Qh4 Rdf6 2.34/21
[⌓28...Bxe5 1.69/19 29.Rxe5 *(29.dxe5 Rg6±)* 29...Rff6]
29.f4 e6 2.31/19

[29...Be6 1.69/21 was necessary. 30.Rd2 Kh8]
30.Bd3 1.29/19
[White should try 30.g4+- 2.31/19]
30...Ne7 2.30/21
[30...h5± 1.29/19 31.Be2 Rh6]
31.Be2 Qd8 32.Bh5 Bd7 33.Be3 Be8 34.Bf3 Qc7 2.28/24
[34...h5± 1.50/19 is a better defense. 35.Qh3 *(35.Bxh5? is the wrong capture. Rh6-+)* 35...Rh6]
35.Qh2 Ng6 36.Bf2 Nxe5? 3.96/21
[36...Kh7 2.05/17 37.Bh5 Qc8 38.Bxg6+ Bxg6]
37.dxe5
[37.fxe5 R6f7 38.Bg3 Kh7+-]
37...R6f7 38.Bc5 Rd7 39.Bxf8 Bxf8 40.Rxd7 Qxd7 41.Qg3+ Kh7 42.Qf2 Dodges Qd2 **42...c5 43.Rd1 Qc7 44.Qe2 c4 45.Kh2 Bc5 46.Qd2 Qg7 47.g3 Be7 48.Qg2 h5 49.Qh3** White is clearly winning. **49...Qh6** 6.90/20
[⌓49...Kh6 4.51/20 50.Rd7 Qf8]



50.Bxh5! Deflection **50...Bc6**

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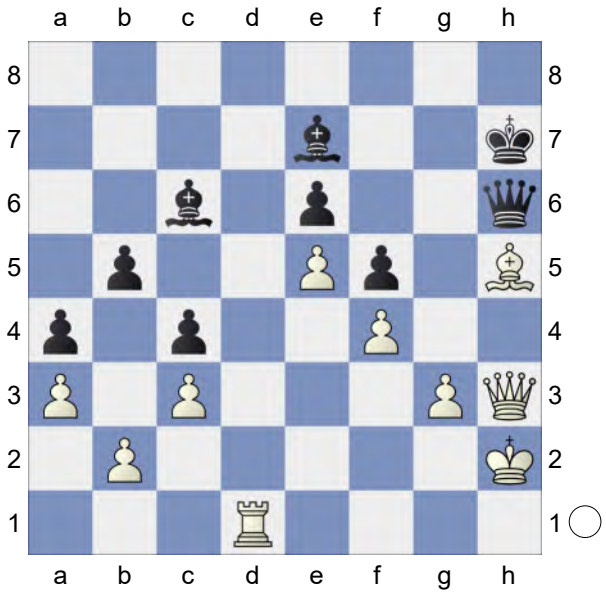


51.Bf3! Deflection **51...Qxh3+**
[51...Be8 52.Qxh6+]
52.Kxh3 Endgame. KRB-KB **52...Be8 53.g4 Kg6 54.g5 Bc5 55.Rd8 Bf7 56.Kg3 Be3 57.Rb8 Bd2 58.Bc6 Kg7 59.Rxb5 Bh5 60.Rb7+ Kf8** Weighted Error Value: White=0.17 (very precise) / Black=0.37
1-0

A28

□ **Lasker,Emanuel**
■ **Lisitsin,Georgy**
Moscow (17) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A28: English Opening: Four Knights Variation Gurevich,M: 'Inf 85/(10)' **1.c4 e5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.d4N**
[4.a3 g6 5.g3 Bg7 6.Bg2 0-0 7.d3 d6 8.0-0 Nd4 9.Nd2 c6 10.e3 Nf5 11.Nf3 Re8 12.e4 Ne7 13.d4 d5 14.exd5 exd4 15.Nxd4 cxd5 16.Bf4 Bg4 17.Bf3 Bxf3 18.Qxf3 Rc8 Gurevich,M (2641)-Diu,V (2412) 85/(10) Russia 2002]
[4.g3 g6 *(4...d5 5.cxd5 Nxd5*

6.Bg2 Nde7 7.0-0 g6 8.d3 Bg7 9.Bd2 0-0 10.Qc1 Nf5 11.Re1 h6 12.Rb1 g5 13.h4 Rb8 14.b4 Nfd4 15.b5 Nxf3+ 16.Bxf3 Nd4 17.Bg2 Be6 18.Kh2 b6 19.Rb4 0-1 7.a4 ♘bd7 8.Be3 (1998)-Campos,J (2365) USSR 21/(563) 1976 (8)) 5.Bg2 Bg7 6.0-0 0-0 7.d3 d6 8.Rb1 a5 9.a3 h6 10.b4 axb4 11.axb4 Be6 12.b5 Ne7 13.Qb3 c6 14.Ba3 Re8 15.Rfc1 g5 16.e3 Bf5 17.Ne1 Be6 18.Nc2 d5 1-0 10.dc5 ♗c5 11.♗d2 (2709)-Campos (2594) Copenhagen 1991]

[4.d3 d6 5.g3 g6 6.Bg2 Bg7 7.Rb1 a5 8.a3 Nd4 9.Nd2 0-0 10.0-0 c6 11.b4 axb4 12.axb4 Bg4 13.h3 Bd7 14.Kh2 Nh5 15.c5 d5 16.e3 Ne6 17.Na4 f5 18.Nb6 Rb8 6 Chapter-Games Chapter 3 Game]

4...exd4 5.Nxd4 Bb4 6.Bg5 Bxc3+ 7.bxc3 Ne5 8.e3 h6 9.Bh4 d6 10.Be2 Ng6 A dynamic duo of knights. **11.Bg3 Ne4** Black is slightly better. **12.Qc2 Qe7 13.Bd3 Nxg3 14.hxg3 Ne5 15.Be2 Bd7 16.Rb1 Rb8 17.Kf1 0-0 18.Rh4 Rfe8 19.Rd1 a6 20.Kg1 b5** -0.34/24

[20...Qf6∓ -0.78/24]

21.cxb5∓ axb5 22.Rb1 c6 23.Rd1 Ra8 24.Nb3 -1.14/21

[24.Nf3∓ -0.63/19]

24...Be6 25.Nc1 -1.55/19

[White should play 25.Rhd4 -1.01/18]

25...Bc4∓ 26.Bxc4 Nxc4 -0.82/19

[Better is 26...bxc4 -1.50/22 27.Re4 d5]

27.Rdd4 -1.92/22

[27.Nb3∓ -0.82/19]

27...Ra3 -1.50/19

[27...d5-+ -1.92/22 28.e4 Qa3]

28.Rde4 -1.86/23

[28.Rhe4∓ -1.50/19 keeps fighting. Ne5 29.Rd1]

28...Qd8 29.Rxe8+ Qxe8 30.Re4 Qd8 -1.57/19

[30...Qa8-+ -1.98/22 31.Rd4 c5]

31.Kh2 -2.38/20

[31.Rd4∓ -1.57/19]

31...d5 -1.38/20

[31...c5-+ -2.38/20 Strongly threatening ...g5. 32.Rf4 Qd7]

32.Rf4 Nd6 33.Rb4 -1.65/18

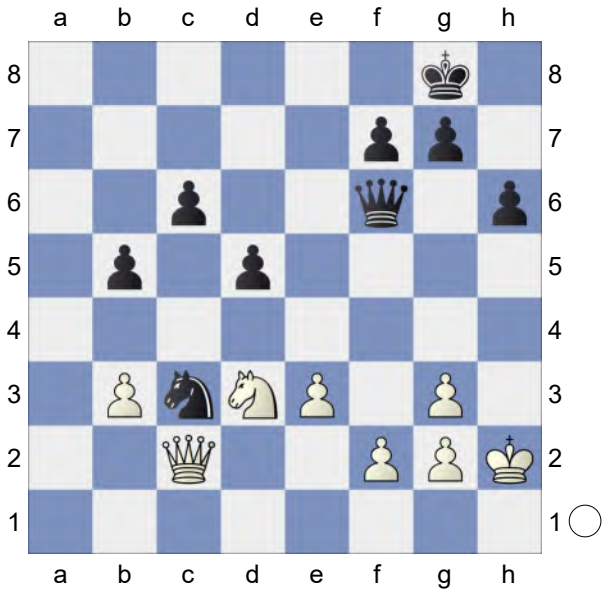
[33.Qb2∓ -1.27/18 Qa5 34.Nb3]

33...Qf6 -2.13/19

[⌓33...Ne4 -1.65/18 Hoping for ...Qf6! 34.Qb2 Ra8 *(34...Rxc3? too greedy. 35.Rxe4 Remove Defender dxe4 36.Qxc3+-)*]

34.Rb3-+ Rxb3 35.axb3 Endgame. KQN-KQN **35...Ne4 36.Nd3 Nxc3** -0.55/23

[36...Qxc3-+ -2.51/24 37.Qxc3 Nxc3]



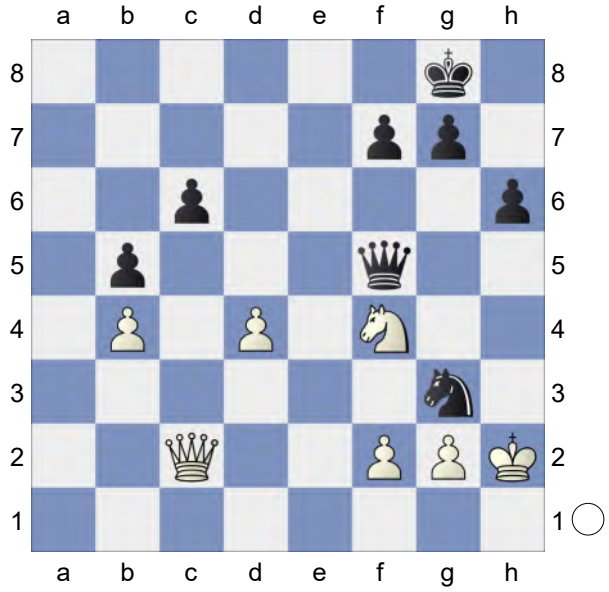
37.b4 -1.87/21

[White should try 37.f4!∓ -0.55/23]

37...d4 ...dxe3 is the strong threat. **38.Qd2 Ne4** Wards off Nc5 **39.Qe2 Nc3 40.Qd2 Qg5** -0.32/22

[40...Ne4-+ -1.80/23 41.Qe2 Nc3 42.Qd2]

41.Nf4!∓ Ne4 42.Qc2 Qf5 43.exd4 The position is equal.
[But not 43.f3 Nxg3 44.Qd1 Qg5 *(44...g5 45.Nd3=)* 45.Qxd4 Qh4+ 46.Kg1 Nf5∓]
43...Nxg3



Discovered Attack **44.Qxc6 Nf1+ 45.Kg1** Threatens to win with Qc1. **45...Nd2 46.d5** Black had all chances to win. Weighted Error Value: White=0.22 (precise) /Black=0.28 (precise)
½-½

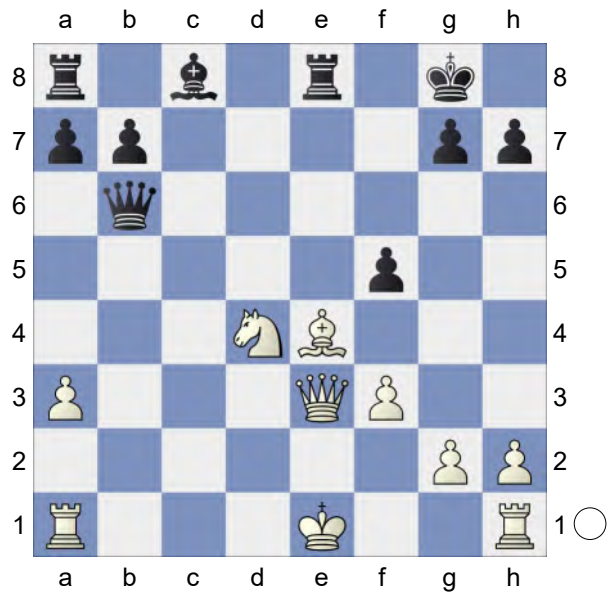
E24

□ **Lilienthal,Andor**
■ **Botvinnik,Mikhail**
Moscow (17) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

E24: Nimzo-Indian: Sämisch: Unusual Black 5th moves and 5...c5 sidelines
1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.a3 Bxc3+ 5.bxc3 c5 6.f3 d5 7.e3 0-0 8.cxd5
[8.Bd3 dxc4 9.Bxc4 Qc7 10.Ne2 cxd4 11.Qxd4 Nc6 12.Qc5 Nd7 13.Qb5 Nce5 14.Ba2 Nc5 15.0-0 b6 16.c4 Ba6 17.Qb4 Rac8 18.Bb2 Ned3 19.Qd2 Nxb2 20.Qxb2 Nd3 21.Qc3 Bxc4 22.Bxc4 Qxc4 Bandeira,M-Moussard,J FSGM October Budapest HUN 1999]
8...Nxd5 9.Bd2N
[9.Ne2 cxd4 *(9...Nc6 10.e4 Nb6 11.dxc5 Qxd1+ 12.Kxd1 Na4 13.Be3 Bd7 14.Kc2 Rfc8 15.Nc1 Na5 16.Nd3* E 25/02-N,N Chess Informant ECO E4 Survey 2008*)* 10.cxd4 Nc6 11.Bd2 Nb6 12.Ng3 e5 13.dxe5 Nxe5 14.e4 Nd3+ 15.Bxd3 Qxd3 16.Bb4 E 25/02 Chess Informant ECO E4 Survey 2008]
9...Nc6 10.Bd3 cxd4 11.cxd4 e5 Black is better. **12.dxe5** -1.75/18
[12.Ne2∓ -0.85/21 was necessary.]
12...Nxe5-+ 13.Be4 -2.04/19
[13.Be2∓ -1.32/18]
13...Nc4 -0.76/21
[13...Qh4+-+ -2.04/19 14.g3 Qh5]
14.Qc1 Nxd2 -0.33/22
[14...b5∓ -0.96/20 And now ...Bb7 would win. 15.Bxd5 Qxd5]
15.Qxd2∓ Nf6 16.Bd3 Re8 17.Ne2 The position is equal. **17...Qb6 18.Nd4 Nd5** aiming for ...Nxe3!
[18...Qxd4? perishes. 19.Bxh7+ Nxh7 20.Qxd4+-]
19.Be4 Nxe3 20.Qxe3 Black must now prevent 0-0. **20...f5!**

(Diagram)

21.0-0! fxe4 22.fxe4 Rd8 23.Nf5 Qxe3+ 24.Nxe3 Be6 25.Rfd1 Inhibits Rd4. **25...Rxd1+ 26.Rxd1=** Endgame. KRB-KRN **26...Rc8 27.Nf5 Kf8** Prevents Ne7 **28.Nd6 Rc3 29.Nxb7 Rxa3 30.Nc5 Ke7 31.Nxe6 Kxe6 32.Kf2 g6** Weighted Error Value:

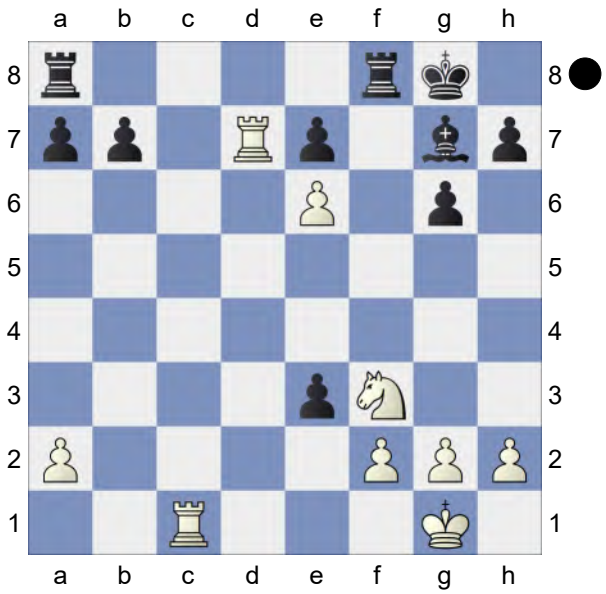


White=0.18 (very precise) /Black=0.16 (very precise)
½-½

D85

□ **Bohatirchuk,Fedor Parfenovich**
■ **Goglidze,Victor Arsentievich**
Moscow (17) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

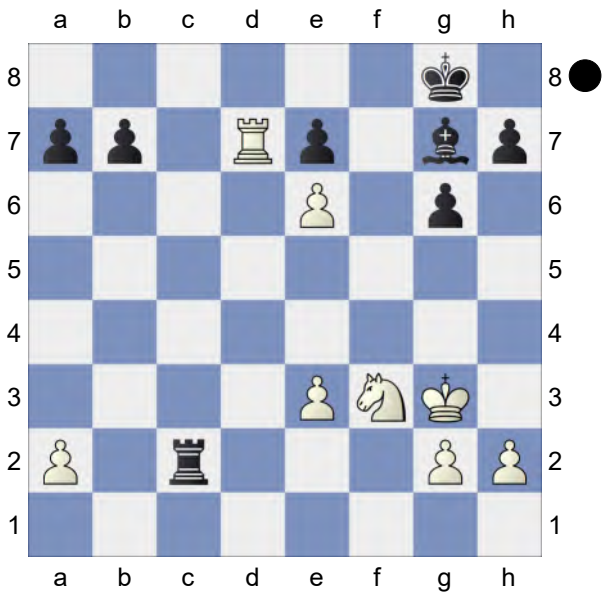
D85: Exchange Grünfeld: Unusual White 7th moves and lines with 7 Nf3 **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.cxd5 Nxd5 5.e4 Nxc3 6.bxc3 c5 7.Nf3 Bg7 8.Bb5+ Bd7 9.Bxd7+ Qxd7 10.Be3 cxd4 11.cxd4 0-0 12.0-0 Nc6 13.Rc1**
[13.d5 Bxa1 14.Qxa1 Na5 15.Bh6 f6 16.Bxf8 Rxf8 17.Nd4 Rc8 18.Rc1 D 85/32-N,N 2003]
13...f5N 2.34/21
[13...Rfd8± 0.47/19 14.d5 Ne5 15.Nxe5 Bxe5 16.f4 Bg7 17.Qb3 b6 18.Rfd1 Rac8 19.h3 h5 20.Rxc8 Rxc8 21.e5 Qf5 22.d6 exd6 23.exd6 Qd7 24.Bd4 Bxd4+ 25.Rxd4 Rd8 26.Kh2 Qe6 27.Qxe6 fxe6 28.Kg3 Kf7 ½-½ Riedmiller,M (1908)-12.f4 ♘c6 113. ♕c3 ♘e7 (2049) 75/133 Linares 1999]
14.d5 Nd8 2.61/19
[⌓14...Ne5 1.74/18]
15.e5+- f4 White has a decisive advantage. **16.e6?** -0.22/21
[Only move: 16.Bc5+- 3.22/20]
16...Nxe6= 17.dxe6 Qxd1 18.Rfxd1 fxe3 19.Rd7 -0.78/20
[19.fxe3= -0.13/19 Rf6 20.Nd4]



19...Rac8 0.00/20
[19...Bb2!∓ -0.78/20 20.Rc2 exf2+ 21.Kxf2 Ba3]
20.Rxc8 Rxc8 21.fxe3 Endgame. KRB-KRN **21...Rc1+ 22.Kf2 Rc2+ 23.Kg3**

(Diagram)

Strongly threatening Rd8+. **23...Bf8 24.Rxb7** Ne5 would now be deadly. **24...Rxa2 25.Rb8** Black must now prevent Ne5. **25...Re2 26.Ne5 Rxe3+ 27.Kf4 Re1 28.Nd7 Rf1+ 29.Ke4 a5 30.h4** White has compensation. **30...h5** The position is equal. **31.g3 Rf5 32.Ra8 Kg7 33.Kd3 Kg8 34.Ke2 a4 35.Rxa4** And now Ra8 would win.

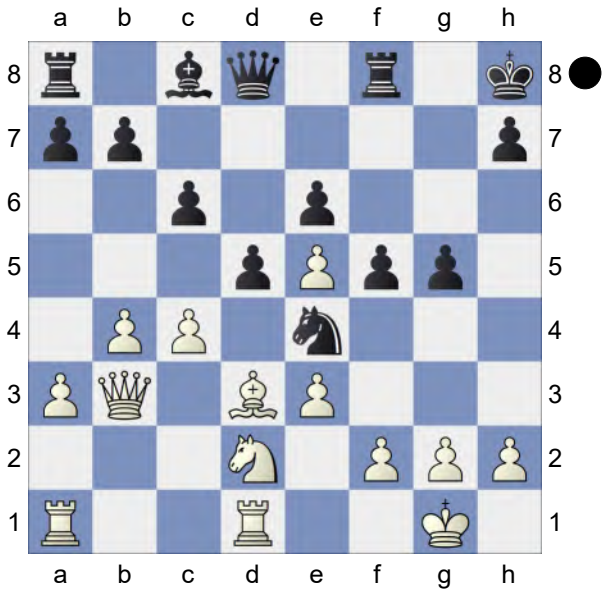


35...Bg7 36.Ra8+ Kh7 37.Re8 Bf6 38.Rf8 aiming for Rxf6! **38...Kg7 39.Rf7+ Kg8 40.Ke3 Rf1 41.Ke2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.35/ Black=0.28 (precise)
½-½

D30

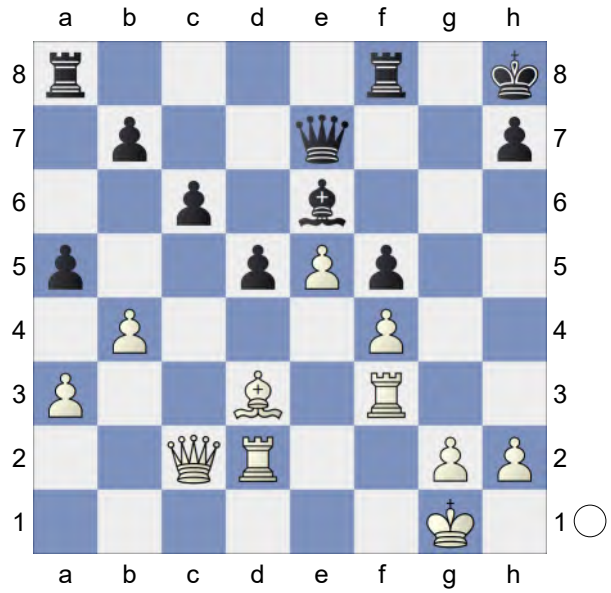
□ **Rabinovich,Ilya Leontievich**
■ **Levenfish,Grigory**
Moscow (17) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D30: Queen's Gambit Declined: Systems without Nc3 Inf 94/(312) **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 d5 4.Bg5 c6 5.e3 Qa5+ 6.Nbd2 Ne4 7.Bf4 Bd6N**
[7...g5 8.Bxb8 Rxb8 9.a3 Bg7 10.b4 Qd8 11.Nxe4 dxe4 12.Nd2 e5 13.d5 Bf5 14.g4 Bg6 15.Bg2 cxd5 16.cxd5 Qxd5 17.Nxe4 Bxe4 18.Qxd5 Bxd5 19.Bxd5 Ke7 20.Rc1 Rhc8 21.Ke2 b5 22.h3 1-0 Kaussen, O (2669)-7. ♕d5 ♘c6 8.e3_58945 (2504) EU/M corr ICCF 1986]
[7...Bb4 8.a3 Bxd2+ 9.Nxd2 Qxd2+ 10.Qxd2 Nxd2 11.Kxd2 0-0 12.b4 a6 13.Bd6 Re8 14.c5 Nd7 15.a4 e5 16.Bd3 exd4 17.exd4 Nf6 18.f3 Bd7 19.Rhb1 h5 20.h4 Kh8 21.b5 axb5 22.axb5 Nikolic,P (2671)-Sandipan,C (2555) 94/(312) Amsterdam 2004]
[7...Nd7 8.a3 f5 9.b4 Qd8 10.Nxe4 fxe4 11.Ne5 Nf6 12.g4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.Be5 Bd6 15.Bxd6 Qxd6 16.f4 exf3 17.Qxf3 Rf8 18.Qg3 e5 19.Bd3 Be6 20.c5 Qc7 21.Bxh7 a5 22.Kd2 Kemp,P (2285)-Gauger,W (2565) Deutsche Schachzeitung intl-5 3435 corr 1934]
8.Bxd6 Nxd6 9.b3 Nd7 White is slightly better. **10.Bd3 Ne4 11.0-0 f5** 1.03/25
[11...Nxd2± 0.52/26 12.Qxd2 *(12.Nxd2 0-0±)* 12...Qxd2 13.Nxd2 Ke7]
12.a3± 0-0 13.b4 Qd8 14.Qb3 Kh8 15.Rfd1 g5 16.Ne5 Nxe5 17.dxe5



Bxe4 would now be deadly. **17...Qc7 18.Qb2 Qg7 19.f3 Nxd2 20.Rxd2 Bd7 21.Rad1 Be8 22.cxd5** 0.19/25 White is more active.
[22.Rc1± 0.62/23]
22...exd5 1.38/21
[22...cxd5= 0.19/25 keeps the

balance. 23.b5 Bg6]
23.f4 gxf4 24.exf4 Bd7 1.90/25
[24...Bf7± 1.47/24 was worth a try. 25.b5 *(25.Bxf5 Bh5=)* 25...Be6]
25.Rf1 1.34/19
[25.b5+- 1.90/25]
25...Be6 26.Rf3 0.93/21
[⌓26.Qd4 1.33/22]
26...Qe7 27.Qc2 a5



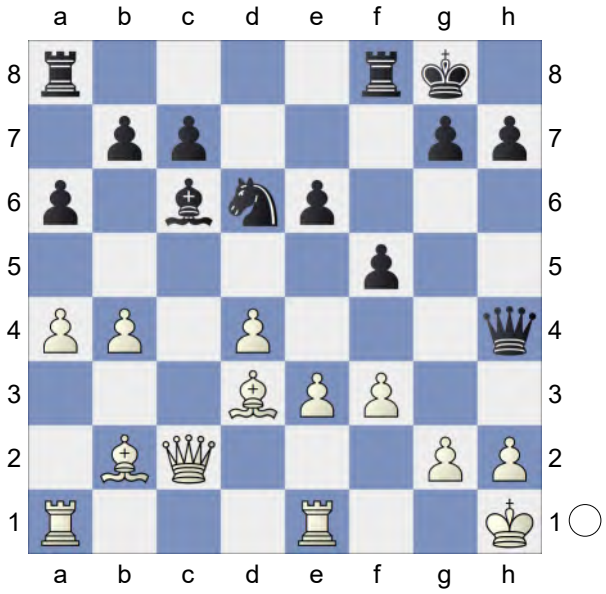
28.Qc5 Rf7 29.Qxe7 0.36/18
[Better is 29.Qd4± 0.97/22]
29...Rxe7± 30.Rh3 0.12/22
[30.Kf2± 0.48/23]
30...axb4= 31.axb4 Threatening Kf2.
31...b6 1.30/23
[31...Ra4!= 0.13/22]
32.Rh5 0.90/22
[⌓32.Rc2 1.30/23 Bd7 33.Rh5]
32...Rf8? 2.58/19 This costs Black the game.
[32...Bf7± 0.90/22 33.Rxf5 c5]
33.Rc2+- Rc8 34.Bxf5 Bxf5 35.Rxf5 Endgame. KRR-KRR **35...c5 36.Rf6 d4 37.Rd6 Rec7 38.bxc5**
[Weaker is 38.Rxb6 d3 39.Rc3 Rd7+-]
38...bxc5 39.Kf2 Rc6 40.Rd5 Kg7 41.Kf3 White is clearly winning. **41...Kf7 42.g4 Ke7 43.f5 h6 44.h4 Rd8 45.f6+** Weighted Error Value: White=0.13 (very precise) /Black=0.39
1-0

E33

□ **Spielmann,Rudolf**
■ **Romanovsky,Peter Arsenievich**
Moscow (17) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

E33: Nimzo-Indian: Classical: 4...Nc6
1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Qc2 Nc6 5.Nf3 d5 6.e3 0-0 7.a3 Bxc3+ 8.Qxc3 Bd7 9.Bd3N
[9.b3 a5 10.Bb2 Qe7 *(10...a4 11.b4 dxc4 12.Bxc4 Na7 13.d5 exd5 14.Bxd5 c6 15.Bc4 Qe7 16.Qc2 Be6 17.Ng5 g6 18.Qc3 Bxc4 19.Ne4 Qe6 20.Nxf6+ Kh8 21.Rc1 Ba6 22.Nxh7+ f6 23.Nxf8 Rxf8 24.f3 Nb5 25.Qc5* 1-0 14.♗g5 ---Sheremetev,V Open Sicilians ChessPub Guide 2006*)* 11.Bd3 Rfc8 12.0-0 a4 13.b4 dxc4 14.Bxc4 Na7 15.Rfc1 Bb5 16.Ba2 Bc6 17.Nd2 Nb5 18.Qc2 E 33/01 Chess Informant ECO E4 Survey 2008]
[9.b4 a5 10.b5 Na7 11.a4 c6 12.Ba3 Re8 13.Rb1 dxc4 14.b6 Nb5 15.axb5 cxb5 16.Ne5 b4 17.Qc1 Bb5 18.Be2 Rc8 19.Bxb4 axb4 20.Rxb4 Ba6 21.0-0 Nd5 22.Rb1 Nxb6 23.Qa3 f6 13 Chapter-Games Chapter 9 Game]
9...Qe7 10.b4 dxc4 11.Bxc4 White is better.
[11.Qxc4 e5 12.Be2 exd4=]
11...a6 12.0-0 Rfd8 1.07/22
[⌓12...b5 0.71/23]
13.Bb2 0.63/22
[13.Bd3± 1.07/22]

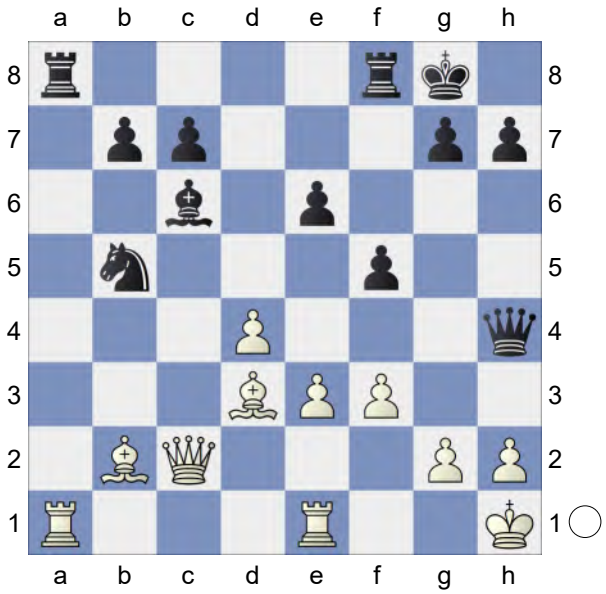
13...Be8 1.00/24
[13...b5± 0.63/22 deserves consideration.]
14.Rfe1 Ne4 1.35/21
[⌓14...b5 0.93/22]
15.Qc2± f5 16.Nd2 Nxd2 17.Qxd2 Ne5 18.Be2 0.33/23
[18.Bb3± 1.10/22]
18...Bc6 White must now prevent ...Qg5.
19.f3 Qg5 0.70/20
[19...Bb5! 0.33/20 should be considered.]
20.Kh1± Nf7 21.Qc2 Nd6 22.Bd3 Rf8 0.76/21
[22...Bb5± 0.33/20]
23.a4± Qh4



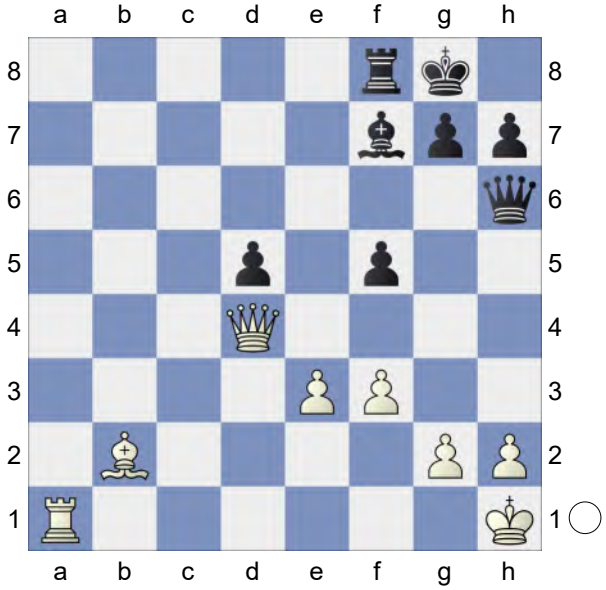
24.b5 0.25/18 **axb5= 25.axb5 Nxb5** 1.17/23
[25...Bxb5= 0.24/23 keeps the balance. 26.Bxb5 *(26.Qxc7 Bxd3 27.Qxd6 Bc4=)* 26...Nxb5]

(Diagram)

26.d5!± exd5 27.Bxb5 This pair of bishops is nice. **27...Rxa1 28.Rxa1 Bxb5 29.Qxc7 Qh6** Black is weak on



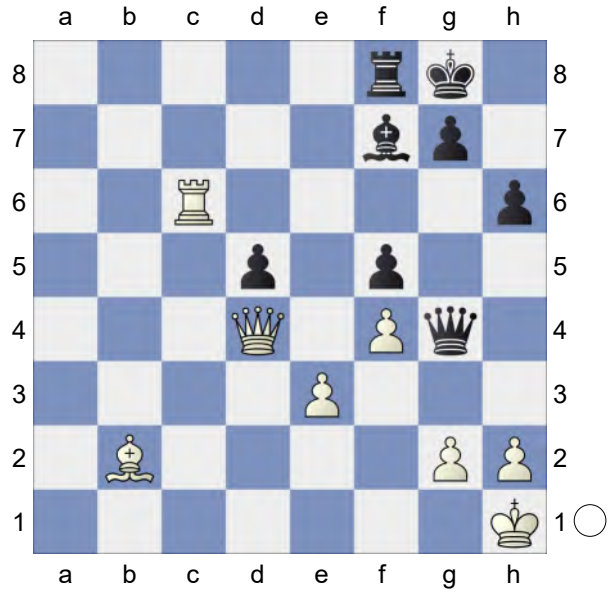
the dark squares **30.Qxb7** Intending Ra7 and mate. **30...Bc6 31.Qc7 Rf7 32.Qb8+** 0.87/21
[White should play 32.Qe5 1.33/24]
32...Rf8 33.Qb6 Be8 34.Qd4 White is more active. **34...Bf7** 1.57/22
[⌓34...Rf7 0.73/20 35.Qe5 *(35.Qxd5 Qxe3 36.h3 h6±)* 35...Qc6]



35.Ra6!! Deflection **35...Qg5 36.Rc6** 0.57/18
[36.f4!± 1.39/19 Qg4 37.Qd2]
36...h6 2.58/18

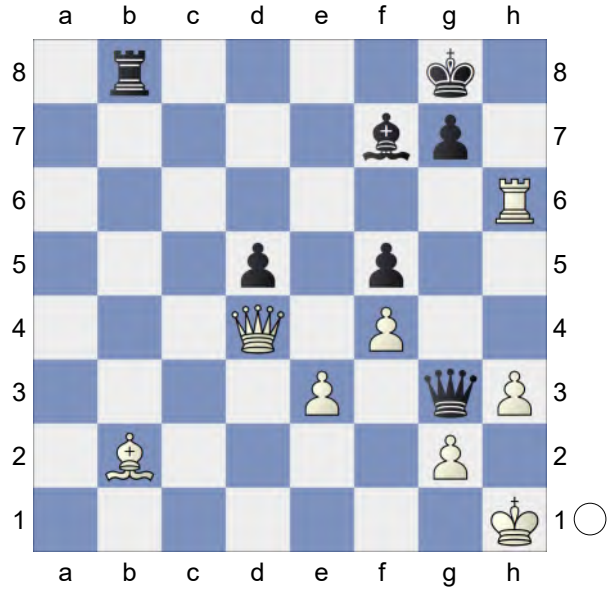
[Better is 36...Re8!± 0.57/18]

37.f4!+- Qg4



38.Rxh6!! Back Rank **38...Rb8** (→ ...Rxb2) **39.h3!→** White wants a kill.

39...Qg3

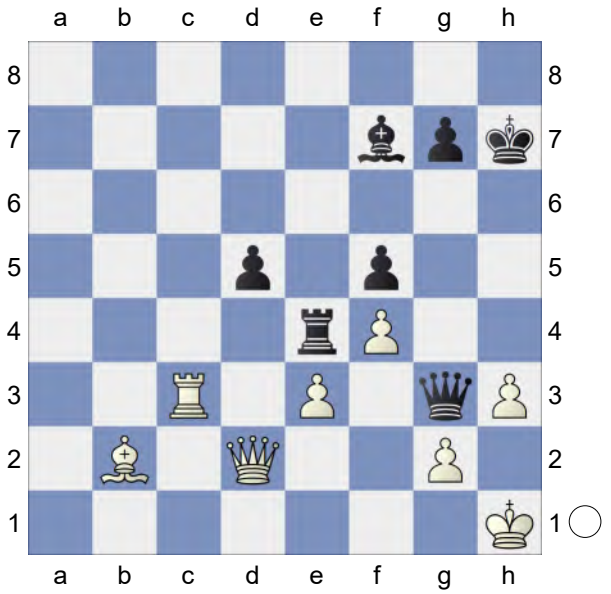


40.Rc6? 0.89/22

[40.Ra6!+- 2.62/27 is the precise move to win.]

40...Re8± 41.Rc3 Ra3 is the strong threat. **41...Re4! 42.Qd2 Kh7** 1.70/22

[42...d4!± 0.68/23 43.Rc8+ *(43.exd4? Re1+-+)* 43...Re8 44.Rxe8+ Bxe8]



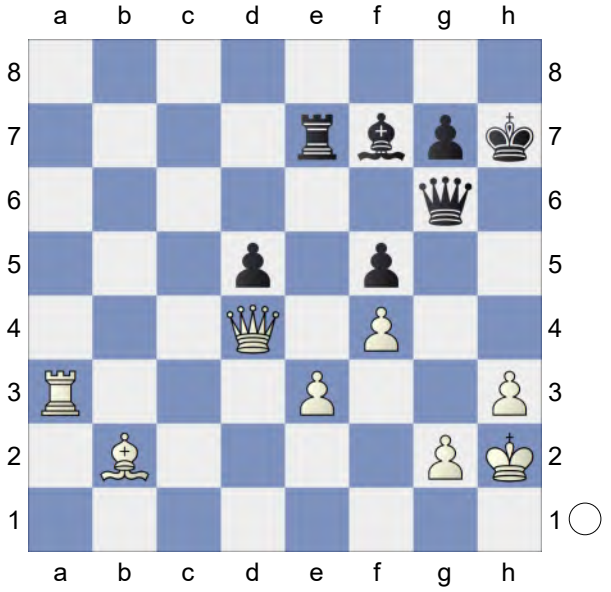
43.Rd3!+- Qh4 44.Kh2 1.27/19

[44.Ra3+- 1.69/21]

44...Qh5? 3.78/23

[44...Re6± 1.27/19 is a better defense. 45.Rxd5 Rg6]

45.Ra3 Re7 46.Qd4 Qg6



47.Ra6!! Deflection **47...Re6**

[47...Be6 48.Qc5]

48.Ra7 Re4 49.Qd2 Re6 50.Qd4

[50.Qxd5? Rxe3 51.Qd2 Qg3+ 52.Kh1 Re1+-+]

50...Re4 51.Qd2 Re6 52.Bd4

[52.Qxd5? too greedy. Rxe3-+]
52...Ra6 53.Rb7 Rc6 54.Qb2 Re6 55.Qc2 Strongly threatening g4. **55...Re4 56.Qc7 Kg8 57.Rb3** aiming for Be5. **57...Kh7** 5.32/25
[⌓57...Re6 3.43/26 58.Rb8+ Re8]
58.Rb7 Kg8 59.Rb3 And now Be5 would win. **59...Kh7 60.Qd8** Be5 would now be deadly.
[Not 60.Rb7 Kg8+-]
60...Re8 61.Qh4+ Qh6 62.Qxh6+ White is clearly winning. **62...gxh6** Endgame. KRB-KRB **63.Rb7 Kg8 64.g4 fxg4 65.hxg4 Rc8 66.Kg3 Re8 67.Rd7 Re6 68.Be5**
[Inferior is 68.Rxd5 Rxe3+ 69.Bxe3 Bxd5=]
68...Re8 69.Rd6 Be6 70.Bd4 Kh7 71.f5 Bf7 72.Rd7 Kg8 73.Rd6 Kh7 74.Rf6 Bg8 75.Rg6 Re7 Prevents Rg7+ **76.Kh4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.32/Black=0.38
1-0

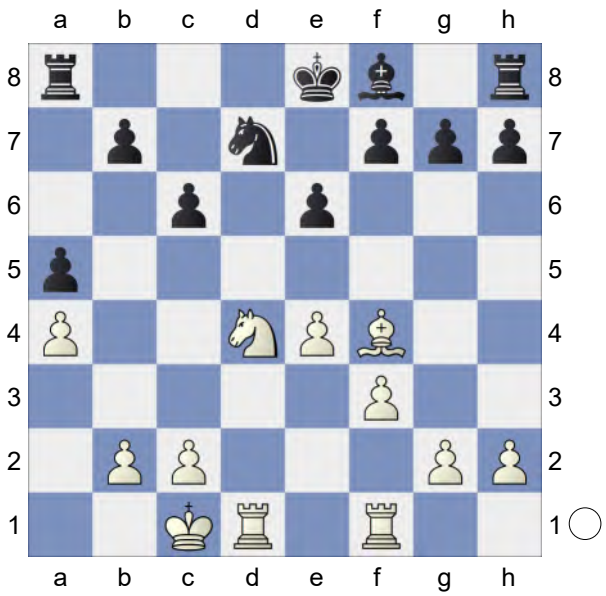
B33

□ **Botvinnik,Mikhail**
■ **Flohr,Salo**
Moscow (18) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

B33: Sicilian: Pelikan and Sveshnikov Variations **1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4**
[4.c3 dxc3 5.Nxc3 e6 *(5...d6 6.Bc4 a6 7.0-0 Nf6 8.Bf4 Bg4 9.h3 Bh5 10.Re1 e6 11.g4 Bg6 12.Qe2 Be7 13.Rad1 Qc8 14.Bxd6 0-0 15.e5 Nd7 16.a4 Bxd6 17.exd6 Nb4 18.Rd2 Qc5 19.Bb3 h5 20.Nh4* 1-0 9. ♗g5 ♕e8_69268 (1938)-Sciupokas,A (1608) 15/156 Budapest 1973 (4.52)) 6.Bc4 a6 7.0-0 Nge7 8.Bg5 h6 9.Be3 b5 10.Bb3 Ng6 11.Nd2 Be7 12.f4 0-0 13.Qh5 b4 14.Na4 Rb8 15.Rf3 Rb5 16.f5 Nge5 17.Rg3 Bh4 18.Rxg7+ Kxg7 1-0 10. ♘c3 ♘c3_7593 (2300)-7.c5 ♘e4 8. ♖c1 (2395) 11th Arad Open 2018 Arad ROU (12)]
4...Nf6N
[4...e6 5.g3 a6 6.Bg2 Nf6 7.0-0 Qc7 8.b3 Bc5 9.Ne2 b5 10.Bb2 e5 11.a4 b4 12.Nd2 a5 13.Nc4 Ba6 14.Qd3 0-0 15.Rad1 d6 16.Qf3 Bxc4 17.bxc4 Rab8 18.Qb3 Qb6 19.Nc1 0-1 6.d4 ♘ge7 7.♗e3 ♘g6-Krstevska,M CHI-ch Vina del Mar 1997]
[4...a6 5.Bc4 *(5.c4 Nf6 6.Nc3 g6 7.Nxc6 bxc6 8.e5 Ng8 9.Bd3 Bg7 10.Qe2 d6 11.exd6 Qxd6 12.Ne4 Qd8 13.0-0 Nh6 14.Nf6+ Bxf6 15.Bxh6 Qd4 16.Be4 Bb7 17.Rad1 Qb6 18.Rd3 Rd8 19.Rb3 Qc7* 1-0 4... ♗f5 5.d5 5. ♘g5_30875-Venturino,M German Championship Saarbrücken 2002 (2) *)* 5...Qc7 6.Bb3 Qe5 7.Be3 Qxe4 8.0-0 e5 9.Re1 Be7 10.Nc3 Qg6 11.Nxc6 bxc6 12.Na4 d5 13.Bc5 Bxc5 14.Nxc5 f6 15.Ba4 Bd7 16.Nxd7 Kxd7 17.Qxd5+ Ke7 18.Qxc6 Nh6 19.Qb7+ 1-0 Germanavichius,S-3.♗b5 g6 4.♗c6 bc6_27376 corr 3TPA/VEN/2A (VEN) ICCF 2020 (1)]
5.Nc3 a6 6.Nxc6 dxc6 7.Qxd8+ Kxd8 8.Bf4 Ke8 White is slightly better. **9.f3** White is more active. **9...Be6 10.a4 a5 11.Ne2 Bc4 12.0-0-0 e6 13.Nd4 Bxf1 14.Rhxf1** Hoping for Rd3. **14...Nd7**

(Diagram)

...e5 would now be deadly. **15.Be3 Bc5 16.Rf2 Ke7 17.Rfd2** And now Nf5+!

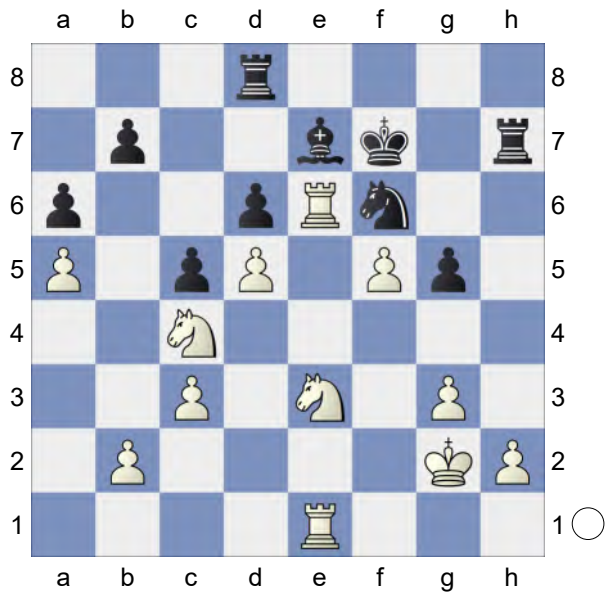


would win. **17...Rhd8! 18.c3 Ke8 19.b3 Bb6 20.Bg5 Nf6 21.Bh4 Bc7 22.Bg3** Repels Bf4 **22...Bxg3** The position is equal. **23.hxg3 Ke7 24.g4 h6 25.Nc2 Rxd2 26.Rxd2 Nd7 27.Ne3 Nb6** Weighted Error Value: White=0.08 (flawless) /Black=0.05 (flawless)
½-½

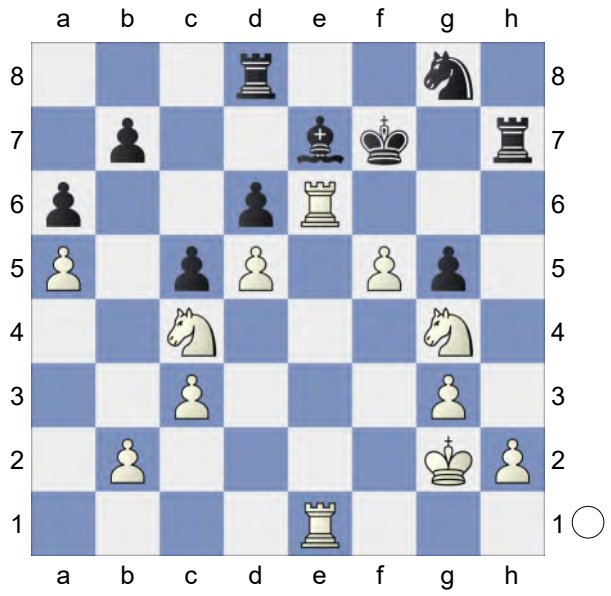
A44

□ **Goglidze,Victor Arsentievich**
■ **Chekhover,Vitaly**
Moscow (18) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A44: Semi-Benoni **1.d4 c5 2.d5 e5 3.e4 d6 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.Nge2N**
[5.Nf3 g6 6.Nd2 Bg7 7.Be2 0-0 8.0-0 Qe7 9.a4 Nbd7 10.Nc4 Ne8 11.Ra3 f5 12.exf5 gxf5 13.f4 exf4 14.Bxf4 Ne5 15.Re1 Bd7 16.Bf1 Rf7 17.Nb5 Bxb5 18.axb5 a6 19.bxa6 bxa6 1.4 The Development Factor af-Hellsten H Lopez Silva Pin,J 20.Bxe5 Bxe5 21.Nxe5 dxe5 22.d6 Nxd6 23.Qd5 Rd8 24.Rxe5 1.4 The Development Factor af-J. Hellsten-H.Lopez Silva Pin]
[5.Bb5+ Nbd7 6.a4 Be7 7.Nge2 0-0 8.0-0 a6 9.Bd3 Rb8 10.Ng3 g6 11.Bh6 Re8 12.a5 Other Black Setups-1...c5 2.d5 e5 #2 The Trompowsky: Simplified 2023]
[5.Be2 Be7 6.Nf3 0-0 7.0-0 a6 8.a4 Bg4 9.Nd2 Bxe2 10.Qxe2 Nbd7 11.Nc4 Ne8 12.a5 Nc7 13.Na4 Rb8 14.Ra3 Nb5 15.Rh3 g6 16.f4 A 44/04-N,N 2000]
5...Be7 6.Ng3 a6 7.a4 h5 8.Be2 White is clearly better. **8...g6 9.Nf1 Nbd7 10.Ne3 Nf8** 1.89/22
[10...0-0± 1.29/20]
11.a5 h4 12.Nc4 Nh5 2.37/22
[12...N8d7 1.69/20 was necessary. 13.0-0 h3]
13.Na4 Nf4 14.Bxf4 exf4 15.Nab6 Rb8 16.Bg4 Bxg4 17.Qxg4 Nh7 18.Qxf4 Black is weak on the light squares **18...0-0 19.0-0 h3 20.g3**
[20.gxh3 Nf6 21.Rae1 Nd7 22.Nxd7 *(22.Nxd6 Nxb6 23.axb6 Qxd6∓)* 22...Qxd7]
20...f5 21.exf5 Rxf5 22.Qg4
[22.Qh6 Nf8 23.Qxh3 Bf6]
22...Kg7 23.Rae1
[23.Qxh3 Ng5 24.Qg4 Nf3+ 25.Kg2 Qh8+-]
23...Qc7 24.f4
[Don't take 24.Qxh3 Ng5 25.Qg4 Nf3+ 26.Kg2 Nxe1+ 27.Rxe1 Rd8+-]
24...Rbf8 25.Qxh3 R5f7 26.Qd7 Qxd7 27.Nxd7 Excellent horsemanship. **27...Rh8 28.Ndb6 Nf6 29.Re6 Ng4 30.Ne3**
[Don't play 30.Nxd6 Bxd6 31.Rxd6 Rxh2+-]
30...Nf6 31.Nbc4 Rd8 32.f5 g5 33.c3 Kf8 34.Kg2 Rh7 35.Re1 Kf7

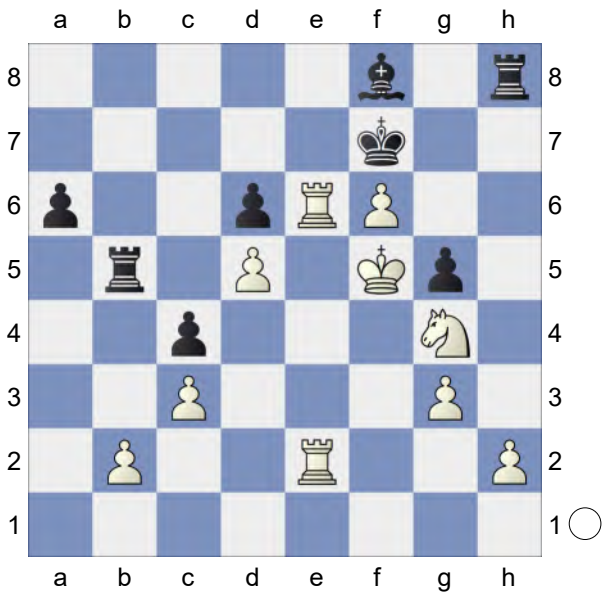


36.Ng4! Ng8
[36...Nxd5 37.Nb6]



37.f6! Bf8
[37...Nxf6 38.Rxe7+]
38.Nce3 6.81/20
[⌓38.Nge5+ #2/17 dxe5 39.Nxe5#]
38...Nh6+- 39.Nxh6+ Rxh6 40.Ng4 Rh8 41.Kf3 Rb8 42.Ke4 b6 43.axb6 Rxb6 44.Re2 Rb5 45.Kf5 c4

(Diagram)



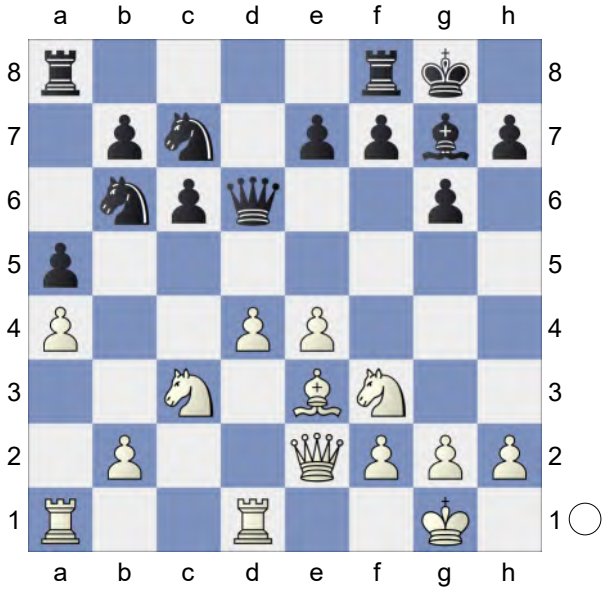
46.Re7+! Bxe7 47.Rxe7+ KRR-KRN
47...Kf8 48.Ra7 Rb8 49.Rxa6 Rh7 50.Rxd6 Rxb2 51.Rd8+ Kf7 52.Ne5#
Weighted Error Value: White=0.10 (very precise) /Black=0.34
1-0

D81

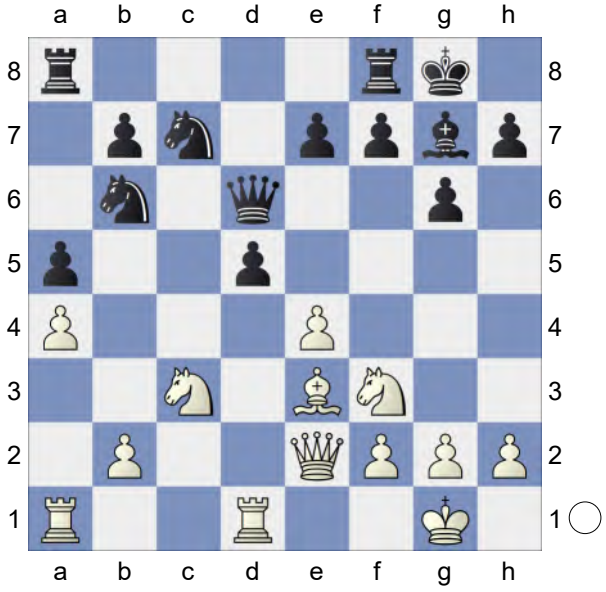
□ **Levenfish,Grigory**
■ **Spielmann,Rudolf**
Moscow (18) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D81: Grünfeld: 4 Qb3 **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Qb3 c6**
[4...dxc4 5.Qxc4 Bg7 6.e4 0-0 7.Bf4 Na6 8.Nf3 c5 9.Rd1 cxd4 10.Rxd4 Qb6 11.e5 Be6 12.Qb5 Nd7 13.Nd5 Bxd5 14.Rxd5 Nc7 15.Qxd7 Nxd5 16.Qxd5 Qxb2 17.Be2 Qb1+ 18.Bd1 Rad8 19.Qb3 Chapter 10:Reversed Rossolimo 5... 0-0 Minor lines 2010]
5.cxd5 Nxd5 6.e3N
[6.e4 Nb6 7.Be3 Bg7 8.Rd1 0-0 9.Be2 Be6 10.d5 cxd5 11.exd5 Bd7 12.Nf3 Na6 13.0-0 Qc7 14.Qa3

Qd6 15.Qxd6 exd6 16.Ne4
D 81/01-N,N 2003]
6...Nb6 7.Nf3 White is more active.
7...Bg7 8.Be2 White is better. **8...Be6 9.Qc2 Bc4** 0.99/21
[9...Bf5± 0.62/19 10.e4 Bg4]
10.0-0 0-0 11.Rd1 Bxe2 12.Qxe2 Na6 13.e4 Nc7 14.a4 a5 15.Be3 Qd6

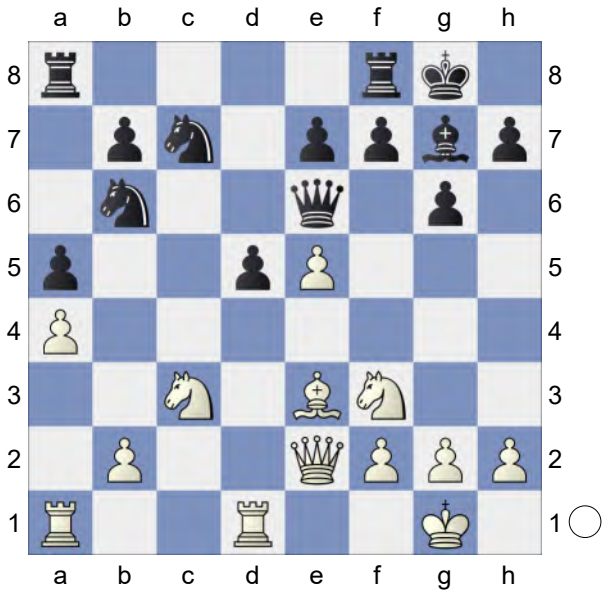


16.d5 0.33/19 **cxd5±**



17.e5! Qe6
[17...Qc6 18.Rac1]

(Diagram)

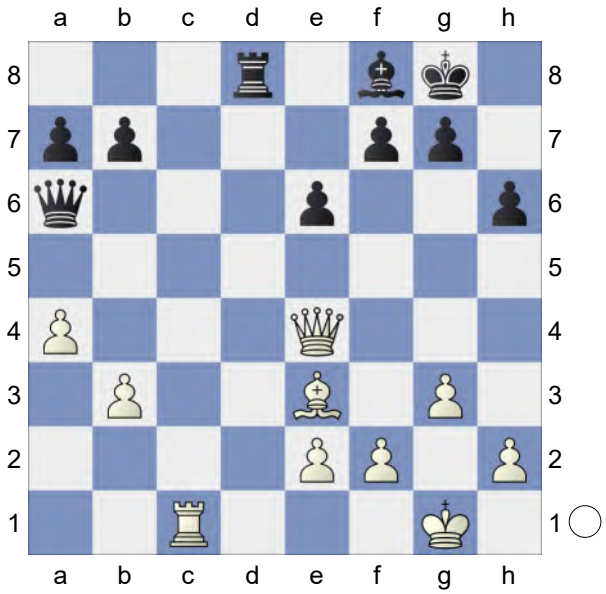


18.Bxb6 0.03/17
[18.Ng5!± 0.72/24 Qc6 *(18...Qxe5?* loses. *19.Bxb6 Qxg5 20.Bxc7+-)*
19.Rac1]
18...Qxb6= 19.Nxd5 Nxd5 20.Rxd5 Rfd8 21.Rad1 -0.14/25
[⌓21.Qb5 0.25/21 Qa6 22.Qxa6 bxa6 23.Rxa5]
21...Rxd5 The position is equal. **22.Rxd5 Rd8 23.Rb5 Qc7** aiming for ... Qc1+. **24.g3 e6 25.Qe4 Rd7 26.h4 h5 27.Qe3 Bf8 28.Qc3** Inhibits Qc4. **28...Bb4 29.Qxc7 Rxc7** Endgame. KRB-KRN **30.Ng5 Kf8 31.Kg2 Ke7 32.f3 Rd7 33.Ne4 Kd8 34.Nd6** Deflection **34...Bxd6 35.exd6 Rxd6** And now ...b6 would win. **36.Rxb7** KR-KR **36...Rd2+ 37.Kf1 Ke8 38.f4 Kf8 39.Ke1 Rd4 40.b3 Rd3 41.Kf2 Rc3 42.Rb5 Ke7** Weighted Error Value: White=0.10 (very precise) /Black=0.06 (flawless)
½-½

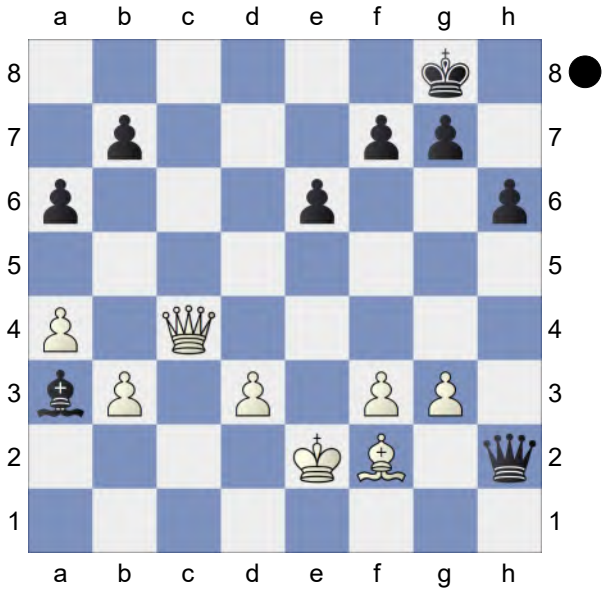
A14

□ **Lisitsin,Georgy**
■ **Bohatirchuk,Fedor Parfenovich**
Moscow (18) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A14: English Opening: 1...e6 with b3 by White Makarov,M: 'Inf 54/(10)' **1.Nf3 d5 2.c4 e6 3.b3 Nf6 4.Bb2 Be7 5.g3 0-0 6.Bg2 c5 7.0-0 Nc6 8.cxd5 Nxd5 9.Nc3 Nxc3 10.Bxc3 Qc7 11.Qc2 Rd8** 0.26/22
[⌓11...e5 -0.22/20]
12.Qb2N
[12.e3 b6 13.b4 cxb4 14.Be5 Bd6 15.Bxd6 Rxd6 Makarov,M (2480)-Schiffer,K (2280) 54/(10) Budapest 1992]
12...Bf8 White has an edge. **13.Rac1 Qb6 14.Rfd1 Bd7 15.d4 cxd4 16.Nxd4 Rac8 17.a4 Be8 18.Nxc6 Bxc6 19.Bd4 Qa6 20.Bxc6 Rxc6 21.Rxc6 Qxc6 22.Rc1 Qa6 23.Be3 Qa5 24.Qc2 h6 25.Qe4 Qa6** 0.88/20
[25...Ba3= 0.07/20 remains equal. 26.Ra1 Qc3]



26.Qc4 0.25/24
[Better is 26.Qf3!± 0.88/20]
26...Qa5 27.f3 a6 28.Kf2 Ba3 29.Qc7 Qd5 30.Rc3 Black must now prevent Rd3. **30...Rd7 31.Qc8+ Rd8 32.Qc4** Hoping for Rd3. **32...Qd1** ...Qh1 is the strong threat. **33.Rd3 Rxd3 34.exd3** Endgame. KQB-KQB **34...Qh1 35.Ke2?** -2.95/24 Now White is beyond hope.
[35.h4= -0.12/24 and White has nothing to worry.]
35...Qxh2+-+ 36.Bf2



Bd6 37.Qg4 -4.76/25
[37.Kf1 -2.82/21 keeps fighting. Bxg3 38.Qc8+ Kh7 39.Bxg3 Qxg3 40.Qxb7]
37...Bc5 38.d4 Bd6 39.f4 Qh1 40.f5 h5 Black is clearly winning. **41.Qg5 Qe4+ 42.Be3 Qxf5 43.Qd8+ Bf8 44.Qb8 Qd5 45.Bf4 f6**
[45...Qxb3 46.Bd6=]
46.Qe8 Qc6
[46...Qxb3 47.Bd6=]
[46...Qxd4 47.Qxe6+ Kh8 48.Qe8=]
47.Qxh5 Qc2+ 48.Bd2 Qxb3 49.Qe8 Qc4+
[49...Qxg3 50.Qxe6+ Kh7 *(50...Kh8 51.Qe8=)* 51.Qe4+ Qg6 52.Qxb7∓]
50.Ke3 Qc6 51.Qb8 Kf7

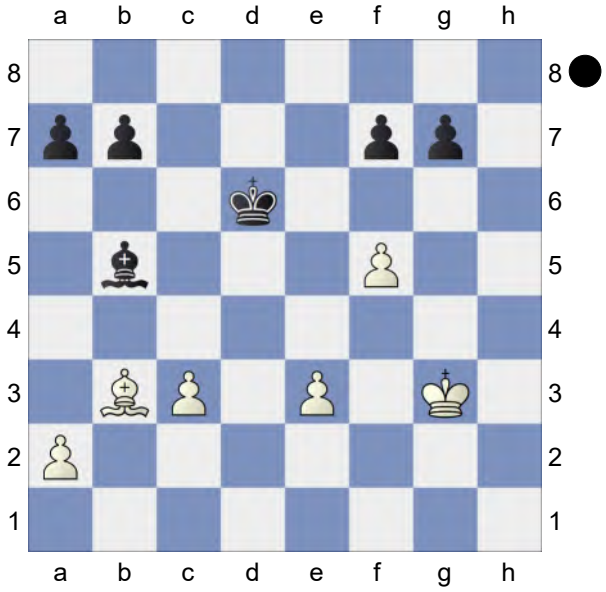
[51...Qxa4 52.Qxb7 Qb5 53.Qc7-+]
52.g4 Bd6
[52...Qxa4? 53.Qxb7+ Be7 54.g5 fxg5 55.Qf3+ Kg8 56.Bc3-+]
53.Qd8 Bc7 54.Qh8 Qxa4 55.Qh5+ Kg8 56.Qg6 Bb6 57.Ke2 Qb5+
[Worse is 57...Qxd4 58.Qe8+ Kh7 59.Qh5+ Kg8 60.Qe8+ Kh7 61.Qh5+ Kg8 62.Qe8+=]
58.Kd1 Qd7 59.Bh6 Weighted Error Value: White=0.40/Black=0.17 (very precise)
0-1

E38

□ **Alatortsev,Vladimir**
■ **Lilienthal,Andor**
Moscow (18) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

E38: Nimzo-Indian: Classical: 4...c5 **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Qc2 c5 5.Nf3**
[5.dxc5 0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Na6 8.a3 Bxc3+ 9.Qxc3 Nxc5 10.Bxf6 Qxf6 11.Qxf6 gxf6 12.b4 Na4 13.e3 b6 14.Nf3 Ba6 15.Nd2 Bb7 16.Bd3 Rac8 17.Rc1 d5 18.Ke2 dxc4 19.Nxc4 Rfd8 Kozul,Z (2560)-Kasparov,G (2775) 48/(751) Belgrad 1989]
5...Nc6
[5...cxd4 6.Nxd4 Nc6 7.Nxc6 bxc6 8.a3 Be7 9.e4 e5 10.Be2 0-0 11.Be3 d6 12.Rd1 Be6 13.0-0 Qc7 E 38/01 Chess Informant ECO E4 Survey 2008]
6.dxc5 Bxc5 7.Bg5N
[7.Bf4 0-0 8.e3 d5 9.a3 Be7 10.Rd1 Qa5 11.Nd2 e5 12.Nb3 Qb6 13.Bg5 d4 14.Bxf6 Bxf6 15.Nd5 Qd8 16.Bd3 g6 17.exd4 Nxd4 18.Nxd4 exd4 19.0-0 Bg7 20.Be4 Bg4 21.f3 Moscow Variation,M-Ugolik, V 66/144 New York 1996]
[7.a3 d5 8.b4 Be7 9.e3 0-0 10.Bb2 dxc4 11.Bxc4 a6 12.Rd1 Qc7 13.Ne4 7) Black plays 4...c5: 5...Bx- Black plays 4.. c5: 5.. Bxc5]
7...Nd4 8.Nxd4 Bxd4 9.Bd2 0.16/23
[9.e3± 0.52/19 should be considered. Bxc3+ 10.Qxc3]
9...0-0= 10.e3 Be5 11.Bd3 d5 12.h3 -0.49/19
[12.cxd5= -0.01/19 deserves consideration. exd5 13.0-0]
12...dxc4∓ 13.Bxc4 Bd7 14.0-0 Rc8 15.Qb3 Bb8 16.Be2 Bc6 Inhibits Bf3. **17.Rfd1 Qc7 18.g3 Qe5 19.Qb4 Rfd8 20.Be1 Qf5** -0.26/22
[20...Bd6!∓ -1.37/17 21.Qc4 a6]
21.Kh2 -1.51/21
[21.Bb5= -0.26/22]
21...Be5 22.Rxd8+ Rxd8 23.Rd1 Against Rd2 **23...Rf8** -0.42/21
[23...Rxd1∓ -1.15/19 24.Nxd1 h5]
24.Qc4 h5 -0.15/20
[24...Bxc3∓ -0.66/20 25.Qxc3 h5]
25.f4!= Bxc3
[25...Bc7 simplifies 26.Bd3 Qa5 27.Nb5 Qxb5 28.Qxb5 Bxb5 29.Bxb5 Bb6]
26.Bxc3 Ne4 27.Bd3! Rd8
[27...Qg6 simplifies 28.Rg1 Rd8 29.Bxe4 Qxe4 30.Qxe4 Bxe4 31.Re1 Rd3]
28.g4 Qb5 29.Qxb5 -1.32/21
[29.Bd4!∓ -0.31/26 Nf2 30.Rd2 *(30.Qxb5? Bxb5 31.Bxb5 Nxd1∓)* 30...Nxd3 31.Qxd3]
29...Bxb5∓ Pin **30.Bc2 Rxd1 31.Bxd1** A strong pair of Bishops. **31...hxg4** 0.00/25
[31...Nxc3∓ -1.00/29 32.bxc3 hxg4 33.Bxg4 Kh7]

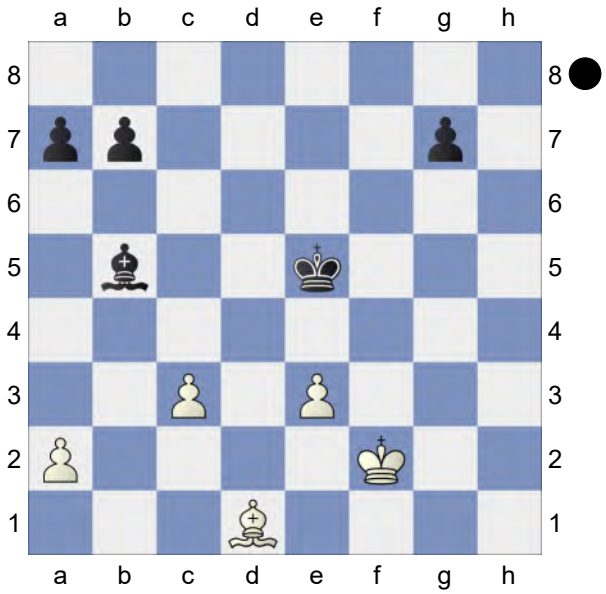
32.hxg4 Nxc3 33.bxc3 Endgame. KB-KB **33...Kf8 34.Kg3 Ke7 35.Bb3 Kd6 36.f5** -1.62/29
[36.g5= -0.19/24]
36...exf5 -0.81/22
[36...Ke5!-+ -1.62/29 37.fxe6 fxe6]
37.gxf5



Ke5! 38.Bxf7 Kxf5 White must now prevent ...Ke4. **39.Bh5?** -5.53/30
[39.Kf2!∓ -0.60/28]
39...Ke4? -0.88/20
[39...Bc4-+ -5.53/30 is more deadly. 40.a4 b6]
40.Kf2 Ke5 ...Bc6 would now be deadly.
41.Bd1 -1.60/24
[White should play 41.a3!∓ -0.60/30]

(Diagram)

41...Bc6! 42.Bh5 Bd5 -0.73/20
[⌓42...Kd5 -1.46/24 ...Kc4 is the strong threat. 43.Bf3+ Kc4]
43.a3 b6 -0.42/35
[43...a6∓ -1.10/32]
44.Be2 Be6 45.Bf3 g5 46.Bd1 Kf5 47.Bf3 a5 48.Kg3 The position is equal. **48...Ke5 49.Kf2 Kd6**



Threatens to win with ...Kc5. **50.Kg3 Kc5 51.Be2 Kd5 52.Bd3 Ke5** Strongly threatening ...Bf5. **53.Bc2 Bf5 54.Bd1 Kd5 55.Bb3+ Ke4 56.Bc2+ Ke5 57.Bd1 Bd3** And now ...Kd5 would win. **58.Bf3 Kd6 59.Kg4 Kc5 60.e4 Kc4 61.e5** aiming for e6. **61...Kxc3 62.Bc6 Bc4** Hoping for ...Kd4. **63.Kxg5 b5 64.Kf6** Weighted Error Value: White=0.26 (precise) /Black=0.27 (precise)
½-½

E18

□ **Pirc,Vasja**
■ **Kan,Ilia Abramovich**
Moscow (18) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

E19: Queen's Indian: Old Main Line with 7...Ne4 8 Qc2 Nxc3 8 Qxc3 **1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 b6 3.c4 e6 4.g3 Bb7 5.Bg2 Be7 6.Nc3 0-0 7.0-0 Ne4 8.Qc2 Nxc3 9.bxc3**
[9.Qxc3 c5 10.b3 cxd4 11.Nxd4 Bxg2 12.Kxg2 Bf6 13.Bb2 d5 14.Rfd1 dxc4 15.Qxc4 Qc8 16.Rac1

Qxc4 17.Rxc4 Na6 18.Ba3 Rfd8 19.Rd3 Rd5 20.Nc6 Rxd3 21.exd3 Nc7 22.Bd6 Nb5 23.Bf4 Beliavsky,A (2630)-Portisch,L (2615) 45/(676) Reggio Emilia 1987]

9...Qc8N 0.39/22

[9...Nc6= -0.25/19 10.Ne5 *(10.Nd2 Na5 11.Bxb7 Nxb7 12.e4 d6 13.Nb3 c6 14.Be3 Rc8 15.Qd3 Qc7 16.Rac1 d5 17.Nd2 Na5 18.Bf4 Qd7 19.cxd5 cxd5 20.c4 dxc4 21.Nxc4 Qb5 22.Ne5 Qxd3 23.Nxd3 Ba3 24.Rxc8 Rxc8* 2 Chapter-Games Chapter 24 Game) 10...Na5 11.Bxb7 Nxb7 12.c5 d6 13.Nc6 Qd7 14.Nxe7+ Qxe7 15.Qe4 Na5 16.cxd6 cxd6 17.Bf4 Rac8 E 19/01 Chess Informant ECO E4 Survey 2008 18.Rac1 Rc4]

[9...f5 10.d5 Qc8 11.Nd4 c5 12.Nb5 a6 13.Na3 exd5 14.cxd5 b5 15.e4 d6 16.Bh3 Nd7 17.Be3 Qe8 18.Bxf5 Rxf5 19.exf5 Bxd5 20.f3 Ne5 21.Qd1 Qc6 22.Kg2 a5 23.Bf4 b4 24.Bxe5 15 Chapter Follies-Games Chapter Follies Game]

10.e4 Nc6 11.Nd2 -0.16/19

[11.Re1± 0.35/20]

11...e5 0.48/20

[11...Na5= -0.16/19]

12.Nb3± White is slightly better. **12...Ba6 13.Qe2 Rb8 14.Rd1 d6 15.a4 Bf6 16.f4 Re8** 0.49/19

[16...Be7= 0.12/22]

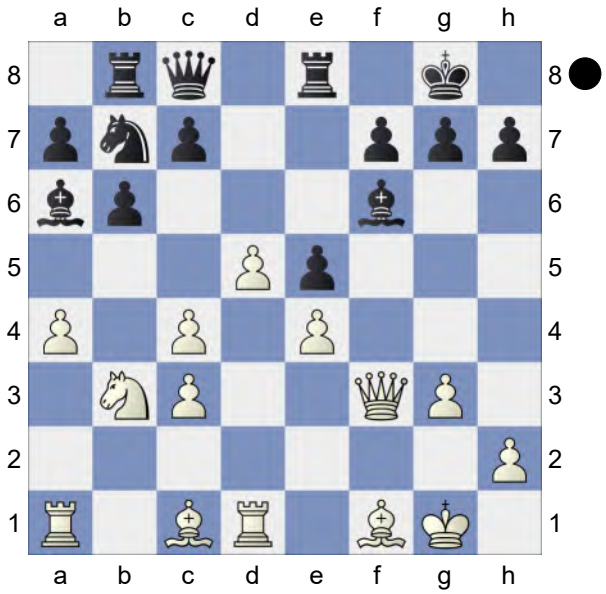
17.fxe5 dxe5 18.d5 Nd8 19.Bf1 -0.36/23

[White should try 19.a5= 0.27/21]

19...Nb7∓ 20.Qf3 -0.72/19

[20.Be3∓ -0.32/18]

(Diagram)



20...Be7 0.04/20

[20...Nd6!∓ -0.72/19]

21.Be3= c5 22.a5 axb6 would now be deadly. **22...Nd6 23.axb6** -0.13/20

[⌓23.Nd2 0.30/21]

23...axb6 24.Ra4 Bb7 25.Nd2 Qd7↑ Black has some pressure. **26.Rda1 Ra8 27.Qd1 Rxa4 28.Rxa4 Ra8 29.Rxa8+ Bxa8 30.Bd3 Qa7 31.Qb3 Bb7 32.Kf2 Bc8 33.Bc2 Bd7 34.Nb1 Qa6 35.Bd3 Bd8 36.Qa3** Black is slightly better. **36...Qxa3 37.Nxa3 g6 38.Nb1** Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) /Black=0.17 (very precise)

½-½

D64

□ **Ragozin,Viacheslav**
■ **Lasker,Emanuel**
Moscow (18) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D64: Queen's Gambit Declined: Classical: 7 Rc1 c6 8 Qc2 **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Bg5 Nbd7 5.e3 Be7 6.Nf3 0-0 7.Rc1 Re8 8.Qc2 c6 9.a3 a6**

[9...Nf8 10.Bd3 g6 11.0-0 Kg7 12.Ne5 N6d7 13.Bh6+ Kg8 14.f4 f5 15.Rf3 Nf6 16.h3 N8d7 17.g4 Nxe5 18.fxe5 Ne4 19.gxf5 exf5 20.cxd5 Bg5 21.Bxg5 Nxg5 22.Rg3 f4 23.exf4 Nxh3+ 24.Rxh3 1-0 Fianchetto (2229)-15.b4 (1880) 141/(19) Astana 2019 (7)]
[9...dxc4 10.Bxc4 Nd5 11.Bxe7 Qxe7 12.Ne4 N5f6 13.Ng3 c5 14.0-0 cxd4 15.Nxd4 Nb6 16.Ba2 Rb8 17.e4 Rd8 18.Rfd1 Bd7 19.e5 Ne8 20.Bb1 g6 21.Qe4 Ba4 22.b3 Bd7 23.a4 Nd5 24.Bd3 0-1 Euwe,M-Lasker,E Zuerich 1934]

10.Bf4N
[10.h3 dxc4 11.Bxc4 c5 12.dxc5 Nxc5 13.Rd1 Ncd7 14.0-0 Qc7 15.Ba2 b5 16.Bf4 Qb6 17.e4 Bb7 18.e5 Nh5 19.Be3 Qc6 20.Bb1 f5 21.exf6 Nhxf6 22.Bg5 Queen'S Gambit-6. ♘f3 ♘bd7 7. ♖c1 c6_547 Survey 2012]

10...Nf8 0.66/25
[10...dxc4= 0.24/22 11.Bxc4 b5]

11.Bd3± dxc4 12.Bxc4 White is slightly better. **12...Nd5** 0.98/22
[12...Bd7± 0.48/21]

13.Bg3± Qa5 14.0-0 0.42/21
[White should try 14.Qd2± 1.05/22]

14...Nxc3± 15.Qxc3 Qxc3 16.Rxc3 Bd7 1.21/23
[16...Nd7± 0.61/22]

17.Ba2 0.75/25
[⌓17.Be2 1.21/23]

17...Rec8 18.Ne5 Be8 1.23/27
[⌓18...c5 0.72/25]

19.Nc4 White has more active pieces.

19...Nd7 Prevents Nb6. **20.Rfc1 a5 21.f3 b5** 1.67/24
[21...a4± 1.12/24 keeps fighting.]

22.Nd6+- Bxd6 23.Bxd6 Nb6 Black is weak on the dark squares

24.R3c2 Ra7 25.Bg3 Rd8 26.Rd1 h6 27.Kf2 Rb7 28.Rdd2 Nc8 29.e4 Ne7 1.89/20
[29...Nd6± 1.35/20 is a better defense. 30.Bxd6 Rxd6]

30.b3 1.29/20
[30.Ke3+- 1.89/20]

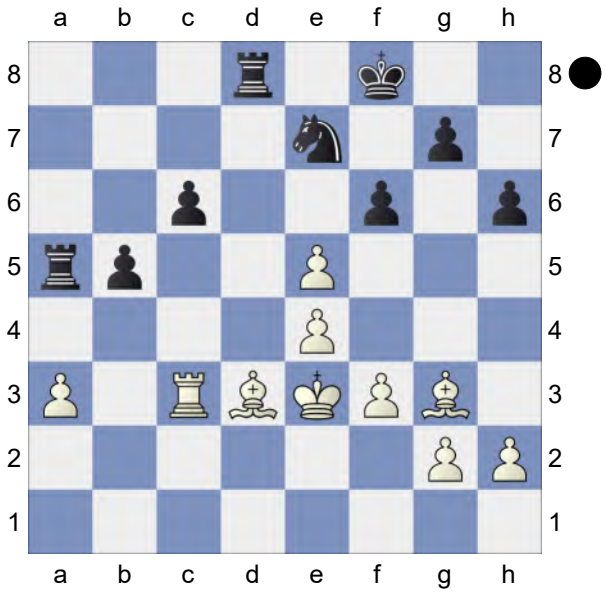
30...Kf8 31.Bb1 f6 32.Ke3 Bf7 1.55/18
[Black should play 32...Rbd7 1.19/19 33.a4 Rb7]

33.b4 0.16/26
[33.Rc5± 1.55/18]

33...Ra7 34.bxa5 Rxa5 35.Rd3 e5 36.Rcc3
[36.dxe5 simplifies Rxd3+ 37.Kxd3 Rxa3+ 38.Kd2]

36...Bc4 37.dxe5? -2.56/22
[37.Rd2= 0.06/22 and White stays safe.]

37...Bxd3-+ 38.Bxd3

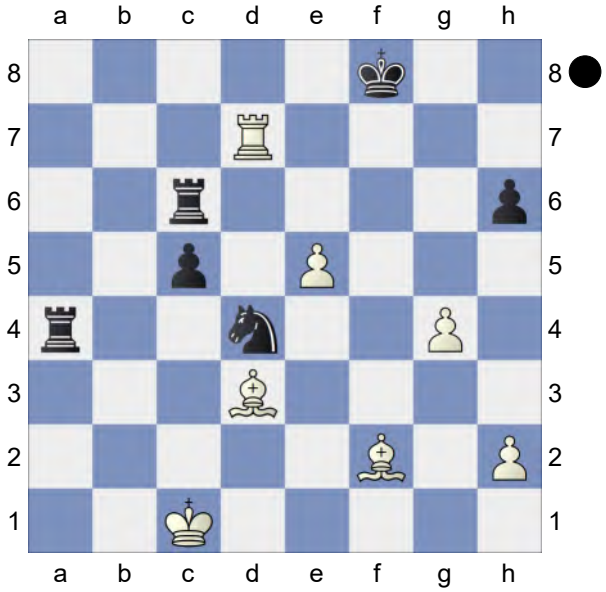


Ra6? -0.16/24
[38...fxe5!-+ -2.06/21 ...Ng6 is the strong threat. 39.h4 Ng6]

39.exf6
[39.e6 seems wilder. g5 40.h4 Ng6 41.hxg5 hxg5 42.Bc7]

39...gxf6 40.Ke2 -0.70/22
[40.Bc7= -0.24/22 is superior. Rd7

41.Bf4]
40...Ng6∓ 41.f4 Kg7 42.Bc2 -1.33/17
[42.Kf3!∓ -0.60/20]
42...Rc8 -0.75/22
[⌓42...h5 -1.33/17 Strongly threatening ...h4. 43.f5 Ne5 44.Bxe5 fxe5]
43.Kd2 c5 44.Kc1 Rcc6 -0.54/22
[44...c4∓ -1.27/20 45.f5 Ne5 46.Bxe5 fxe5]
45.Rd3 Rd6 White must now prevent ... Rxd3. **46.Rb3 Rab6** -0.12/18
[46...Rdb6!∓ -0.61/19 was preferrable.]
47.Bf2= Rdc6
[47...Nxf4 48.Bxc5 Rdc6 49.Bxb6 Rxb6 50.Kb2±]
48.g3 Nf8 49.Rd3 b4 50.axb4 Rxb4 51.Rd5 -0.48/22
[51.e5= -0.11/18 should be considered.]
51...Ne6∓ 52.Rd7+ Kf8 Hoping for ... Ra6. **53.e5 Nd4 54.Bd3** Against Rc4+ **54...fxe5 55.fxe5 Ra4** aiming for ...Ra2. **56.g4**



Ra2 0.00/36
[56...Re6!∓ -0.79/19 57.Rd5 Ke8]
57.Rd8+= Kg7 58.Rd7+ Kf8 White used his chance. Weighted Error Value: White=0.26 (precise) / Black=0.24 (precise)
½-½

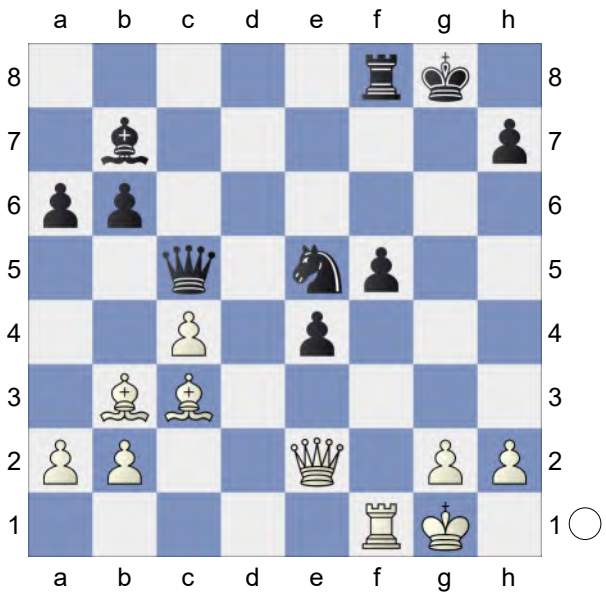
D05

□ **Riumin,Nikolay Nikolaevich**
■ **Rabinovich,Ilya Leontievich**
Moscow (18) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

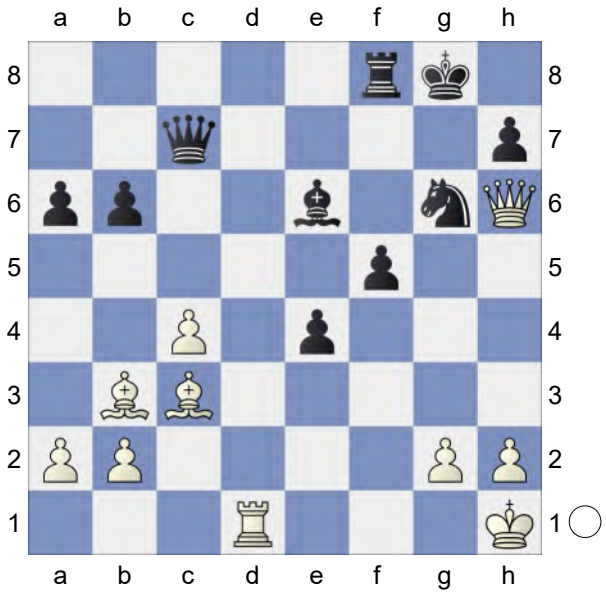
D05: Colle System with ...e6 **1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.e3 e6**
[3...c5 4.b3 Nc6 5.Bb2 Bg4 6.Be2 e6 7.0-0 Bd6 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Bh5 10.dxc5 Bxc5 11.c4 Qe7 12.Ne5 Bxe2 13.Qxe2 Nxe5 14.Bxe5 Rfd8 15.Rad1 Rac8 16.Bxf6 Qxf6 17.cxd5 Rxd5 18.Ne4 1-0 3..Nf6 (2530)-F: 5 Nf3 Ng6 6 h4 (2405) European Team Ch Pula 1997]
4.Nbd2N
[4.Bd3 c5 5.c3 *(5.b3 b6 6.0-0 Bb7 7.Bb2 Nbd7 8.Nbd2 Be7 9.Ne5 0-0 10.f4 cxd4 11.exd4 Ne4 12.Qe2 f5* 10) Queen ⇗s Gambit Declined-Queen ⇗s Gambit Declined Odds 1… e6 Against Everything 2024*)* 5...b6 6.Nbd2 Bb7 7.0-0 Nbd7 8.Qe2 Be7 9.e4 dxe4 10.Nxe4 0-0 Beginner Guide Sarin Queen'-Sarin Queen'S Gambit Colle,S 1… e6 Against Everything 2024]
4...c5 5.c3 b6 6.Bb5+ Nbd7 7.Ne5 -0.28/23
[7.e4 0.13/22 might be stronger.]
7...Bd6= 8.f4 Black has an edge.
8...Bb7 9.0-0 a6 10.Ba4 Qe7 0.22/20
[10...0-0∓ -0.45/21]
11.Qf3 -0.32/21
[11.Bc6!= 0.22/20 Bxc6 12.Nxc6]
11...Bxe5 0.64/22

[11...b5∓ -0.32/21 12.Bc2 c4]
12.fxe5±
[12.dxe5?! Ne4±]
12...Ne4 13.Nxe4 dxe4 14.Qg4 White is more active. **14...0-0 15.Bc2 f5 16.exf6 Rxf6 17.Bd2**
[17.Bxe4? Rxf1+ *(17...h5? 18.Bh7+ Kxh7 19.Qe2-+)* 18.Kxf1 Nf6 19.Bxh7+ Nxh7-+ *(19...Kxh7? 20.Qh3+ Kg8 21.Bd2-+)*]
[17.Rxf6 simplifies Nxf6 18.Qe2 b5 19.Bd2]
17...Raf8 18.c4 -0.06/21
[18.Bb3± 0.52/21]
18...cxd4= 19.exd4
[19.Bxe4? h5 20.Qe2 Bxe4-+]
19...e5 0.24/26
[⌓19...Ne5! -0.24/21 20.Qe2 *(20.dxe5* leads to mate. *Rxf1+* Back Rank *21.Rxf1 Qc5+)* 20...Nd3]
20.Be3
[20.Bxe4 Rxf1+ *(20...h5 21.Qe2=)* 21.Rxf1 Nf6 22.Bxh7+ *(22.Rxf6? Qxf6-+)* 22...Nxh7 *(22...Kxh7? 23.Qe2-+)* 23.Rxf8+ Nxf8-+]
20...exd4 21.Bxd4 Ne5 22.Qe2 Qd6 0.64/20
[22...Rxf1+= 0.20/23 23.Rxf1 Rxf1+ 24.Kxf1 Qf6+ 25.Qf2 Qxf2+ 26.Kxf2 Nxc4]
23.Rxf6± gxf6 1.97/17 This move loses the game for Black.
[23...Rxf6± 0.69/21 24.Rd1 Rf8]
24.Rd1+- Qc6 2.35/19
[⌓24...a5 1.86/16 25.Bxe5 *(25.Bxe4 Bxe4 26.Qxe4 Rd8=)* 25...Qxe5]
25.Rf1 Qd6 26.Bc3 f5 3.22/20
[⌓26...Qc5+ 1.80/17 27.Rf2 a5]
27.Bb3 1.90/20 A strong pair of Bishops.
[⌓27.Rd1 3.22/20 Qc5+ 28.Bd4]
27...Qc5+

(Diagram)

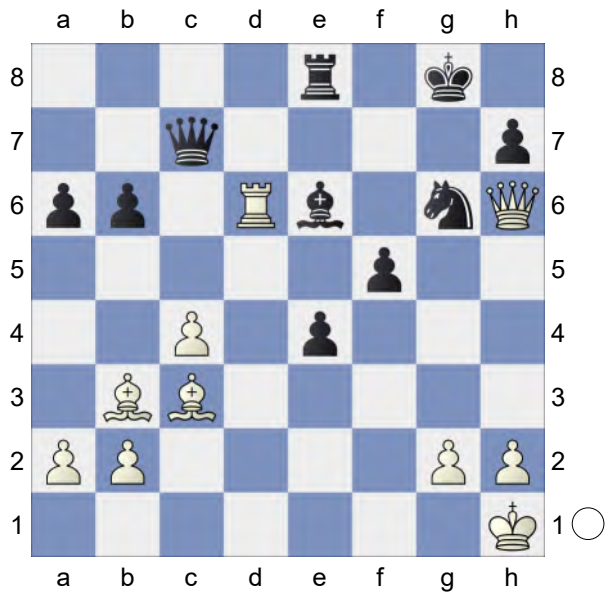


28.Kh1! Qh5 would now be deadly.
28...Ng6? 4.53/22
[28...e3 2.30/18 might work better.]
29.Rd1 Bc8 6.78/20
[⌓29...Nf4 4.18/18 30.Qe1 Nd3 31.Qg3+ *(31.Rxd3 exd3 32.Qg3+ Kf7+-)* 31...Kf7 32.Rxd3 exd3]
30.Qh5 Threatens to win with Qh6. White is clearly winning. **30...Be6**
31.Qh6 Qc7

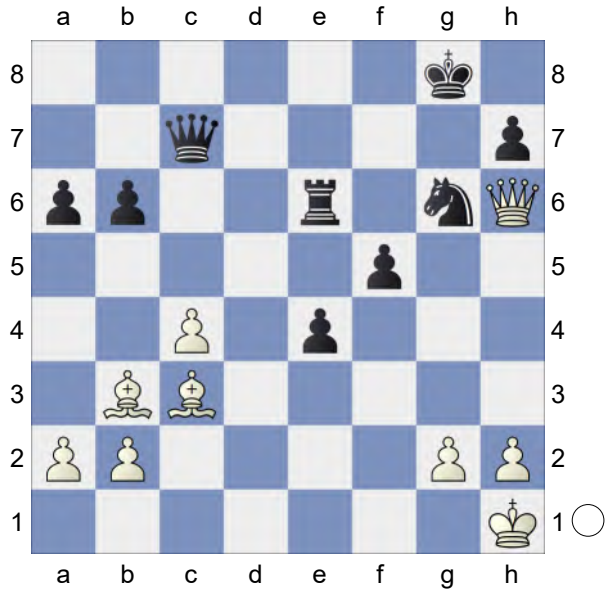


Wards off Qg7+ **32.Rd6!!** Deflection
32...Re8

(Diagram)



33.Rxe6! Rxe6



34.c5! Discovered Attack. Weighted Error Value: White=0.19 (very precise) / Black=0.55

1-0

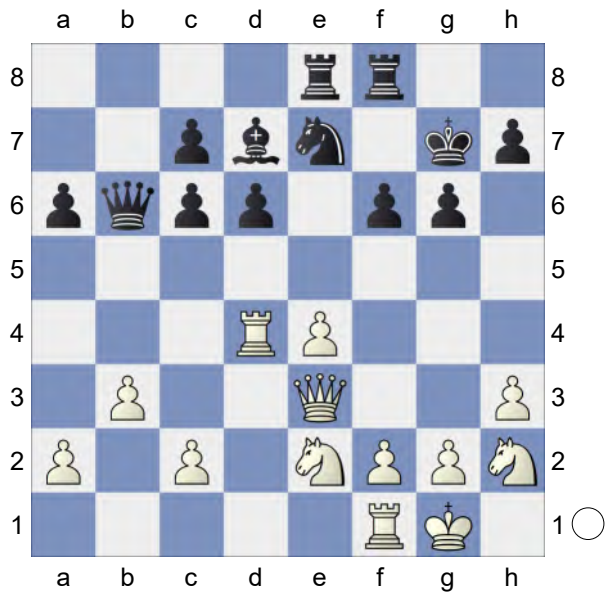
C73

□ **Romanovsky,Peter Arsenievich**
■ **Capablanca,Jose Raul**
Moscow (18) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

C73: Ruy Lopez: Deferred Steinitz: 5 Bxc6+ **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 d6 5.Bxc6+ bxc6 6.d4 f6 7.Be3 g6 8.Qd2 Bg7 9.Nc3 Bd7N**
[9...Ne7
A) 10.h3 0-0 11.Bh6 Be6 *(11...exd4 12.Nxd4 c5 13.Nde2 Bb7 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.0-0-0* C 73/02-N,N 1997*)* 12.0-0-0 Chess Informant ECO Chess Informant ECO C5 Survey 2006;
B) 10.0-0-0 0-0 11.Bh6 Bg4 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.Qe3 Qb8 14.Rd3 Re8 15.h3 Bxf3 16.Qxf3 Qb4 17.a3 Qc4 18.Qe3 Rab8 19.f4 exd4 20.Rxd4 Qc5 21.Qd2 Rb7 22.Re1 a5 Chess Informant Eco-N,N Chess Informant ECO C4 Survey 1997]
10.0-0 Ne7 11.h3 White is more active. **11...0-0** White is slightly better. **12.Rad1 Qb8 13.b3 Qb7 14.Bh6 Rad8** 1.14/19
[⌓14...Bxh6 0.75/20 15.Qxh6 exd4]
15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Nh2 0.38/19
[White should play 16.Qc1± 0.79/19]
16...Qb4± 17.Qe3 Rde8 18.Ne2
[18.dxe5 looks sharper. fxe5 19.Ng4 Ng8 20.Rd3]
18...exd4 19.Rxd4 Qb6

(Diagram)

Hoping for ...Nf5! **20.Qd2 c5 21.Rd3 Qb4! 22.c4 Qxd2 23.Rxd2 Bc6 24.Nc3 f5 25.Nd5 Nxd5** -0.09/20
[25...fxe4? is the wrong capture. 26.Nxc7 Nf5 27.Nxe8+ Rxe8

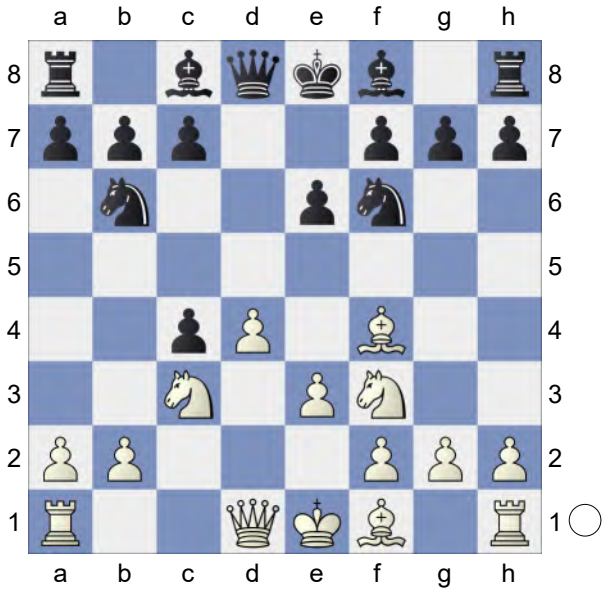


28.Re1+-]
[25...Bxd5∓ -0.48/28 26.exd5 f4]
26.exd5= The position is equal. **26...Bd7 27.f4! Re4 28.Rf3 h6** Weighted Error Value: White=0.13 (very precise) / Black=0.08 (flawless)
½-½

D37

□ **Stahlberg,Gideon**
■ **Menchik,Vera**
Moscow (18) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D37: Queen's Gambit Declined: 5 Bf4 Martinovic,Sl: 'Inf 109/235' **1.Nf3 d5 2.d4 Nf6 3.c4 e6 4.Nc3 Nbd7 5.Bf4 dxc4N**
[5...Bb4 6.cxd5 exd5 7.e3 *(7.Qb3 c5 8.dxc5 Qa5 9.a3 Bxc3+ 10.bxc3 Qxc5 11.Qb4 Ne4 12.Nd4 b6 13.f3 a5 14.Qxc5 Nexc5 15.Nf5 Ne6 16.Bg3 g6 17.Nd6+ Ke7 18.e3 Rd8 19.Rb1 Ba6 20.Kf2* Aronian,L (2754)-Eljanov,P (2693) Nalchik 109/235 2009 *)* 7...Ne4 8.Qc2 g5 9.Be5 f6 *(9...Nxe5 10.Nxe5 c6 11.Bd3 f6 12.Nf3 Bf5 13.0-0 Qe7 14.a3 Bxc3 15.bxc3 Bg6 16.a4 Kf7 17.c4 dxc4 18.Qxc4+ Kg7 19.Rfe1 Rhe8 20.Bxe4 Bxe4 21.Nd2 Bd5 22.Qc2 Rad8 23.a5 Rd7 24.h3* ½-½ Jakobsen,P (2396)-6... Bb6 7... Qe7? (2348) Jugoslavija (ch) 63/500 1995 (6)*; 9...Rg8 10.Bd3 Bxc3+ 11.bxc3 g4 12.Bxe4 dxe4 13.Qxe4 Qe7 14.Qxh7 Rf8 15.Nd2 Nxe5 16.dxe5 Qxe5 17.Qe4 Qxe4 18.Nxe4 Ke7 19.0-0 Bf5 20.Nc5 b6 21.e4 Bc8 22.Nd3 Bb7 23.Rfe1 Rg8 24.Re3* Chapter 1 - 4...Nbd7 5.Bf4-6. cxd5 critical line 2023*)* 10.Bg3 h5 11.h4 Qgd Sidelines Part-Qgd Sidelines]
6.e3 Nb6



7.Bxc4! Decoy **7...Nxc4 8.Qa4+ c6 9.Qxc4** White is slightly better. **9...Be7 10.0-0 0-0 11.Rad1** 0.07/20
[11.Rfd1± 0.43/20]
11...Qa5 0.63/22
[11...Nd5= 0.07/20]
12.e4± White is more active. **12...b5 13.Qxc6 Bd7 14.Qb7** Black must now prevent Bc7. **14...b4 15.Bc7 Qh5 16.e5! bxc3 17.exf6 Bxf6** 1.18/23

[17...gxf6± 0.58/23 18.d5 *(18.bxc3 Bb5±)* 18...cxb2]

18.bxc3 0.08/24

[18.Ne5!± 1.18/23 c2 19.Rc1 Bxe5 20.Bxe5]

18...Bb5 19.Rfe1 With the idea Be5.

19...Bc4 20.Qb2 Qd5 0.33/23

[20...Bd5= -0.16/21 might be stronger.]

21.Ra1 Rfc8 22.Bg3 a5 23.Nd2 Bd3 A strong pair of Bishops. **24.Rac1** -0.37/19

[24.Re3= 0.00/20 Ba6 25.Rb1]

24...a4∓ 25.Nf1 White is weak on the light squares **25...a3! 26.Qd2 Bxf1 27.Rxf1 Bg5! 28.f4 Bd8** 0.41/22

[28...Bf6!∓ -0.55/22 29.Rfd1 Rab8]

29.Rb1 -0.21/21

[29.f5!± 0.41/22]

29...Rab8 30.Qc2 Ba5 31.f5 -1.06/26

[31.Rxb8= -0.27/20 Rxb8 32.Rb1 Rxb1+ 33.Qxb1]

31...Rxb1 -0.12/22

[31...Rxc3 32.Rxb8+ Bd8 33.Qxc3 h5 34.fxe6 *(34.Qxa3 Kh7+-)* 34...Kh8 35.exf7 *(35.Qxa3 Qe4 36.Rxd8+ Kh7 37.exf7 h4 38.Bxh4* Deflection, Promotion *Qxh4 39.Qd3+ g6; 35.Rxd8+ Qxd8 36.exf7 Kh7 37.f8Q Qxf8 38.Rxf8 Kh6 39.Bf4+ g5 40.Qc6+ Kh7 41.Rf7+ Kh8 42.Qe8#)* 35...Qe4 36.Rxd8+ *(36.f8B Bf6 37.Rxf6 gxf6 38.Qc4 h4 39.Bh6+ Kh7 40.Qf7+ Kxh6 41.Rh8+ Kg5 42.Qh5#; 36.f8Q+ Kh7 37.Rxd8 h4 38.Qh8+* Skewer *Kg6 39.Rd6+* Deflection *Kg5 40.Qxg7+ Kh5 41.Rh6#)* 36...Kh7 37.f8Q *(37.f8B Qg4 38.Bxg7 Qxg7 39.Qd3+ Kh6 40.Bf4+ Qg5 41.Rg8* Pin *h4 42.Qg6#* Pin *)*]

[Black should play 31...Rb2!∓ -1.06/26 32.Rxb2 axb2 33.Qxb2 Bxc3 *(33...exf5 34.Rc1±)*]

32.Rxb1= exf5

[32...Qxf5?! 33.Qxf5 exf5 34.c4+-]

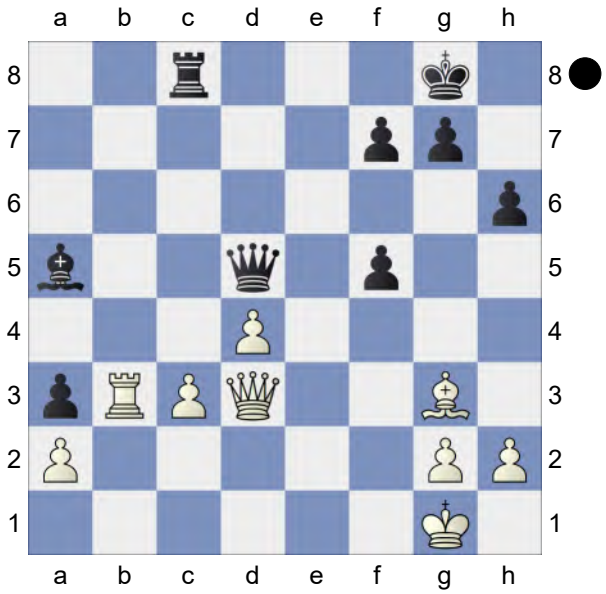
[32...Bxc3? 33.Qxc3 Rf8 34.fxe6 *(34.Qxa3 Qxf5 35.Qb4 h6+-)* 34...Qxe6 35.Qxa3+-]

33.Rb3 h6

[33...Bxc3? 34.Qxc3 Re8 35.Rxa3+-]

34.Qd3 -4.07/24

[34.Bf2= -0.09/23 and White stays safe.]



34...Bc7? 1.38/21

[34...Qxb3!-+ -4.07/24 35.axb3 a2]

35.c4±

[35.Rxa3 f4 36.Bf2 f3∓]

35...Qd7

[35...Bxg3? 36.cxd5 Rc1+ 37.Qf1 Rxf1+ 38.Kxf1 Bxh2 39.g3+- *(39.Rxa3 f6+-)*]

36.Bxc7 0.19/23

[36.Bf2± 1.33/21]

36...Qxc7 Endgame. KQR-KQR **37.c5**

[37.Qxf5? Qxc4 38.Qe4 f5-+ *(38...Qc1+? 39.Kf2-+)*]

37...Re8 38.Rb1 Prevents Re1+

38...Qa5

[38...Re4 39.h3± *(39.Qxa3 Rxd4 40.Rc1 Qf4=)*]

39.Kf2 Prevents Re1

[Much weaker is 39.Qxf5 Qd2 40.Qf2 Qd3∓]

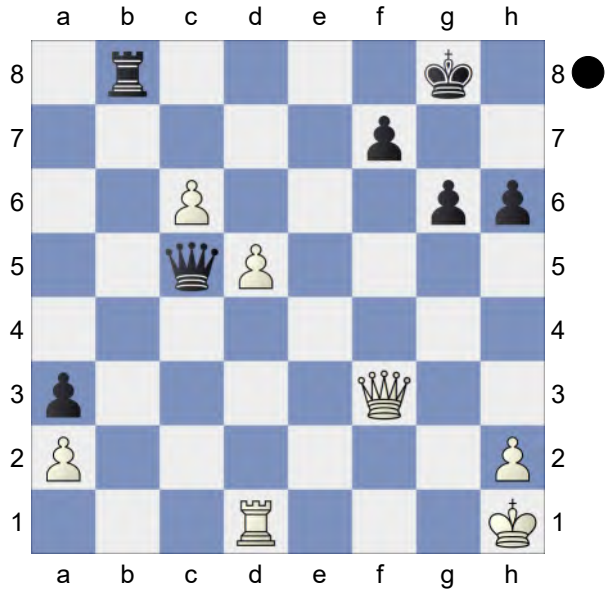
[39.h3 simplifies Re1+ 40.Rxe1 Qxe1+ 41.Kh2]

39...f4 40.c6 f3! 41.d5↑ White fights for an advantage.

[But not 41.Kxf3 Qd5+ 42.Kf2 Qxc6 *(42...Qxa2+ 43.Kg1=)*]

41...fxg2 42.Kxg2 Qc5 43.Kh1 g6 44.Rd1 Rb8 ...Rb2 would now be deadly. **45.Qf3?** -1.97/24

[45.Qe4= 0.09/25 and White has nothing to worry. Qd6 46.Re1]



45...Qd6?? 5.50/20

[45...Rb2!-+ -1.97/24 ...Qc2! is the strong threat. 46.Rf1 f5]

46.Qg3+- White is clearly winning. **46...Qb4 47.c7 Re8 48.d6** Threatens to win with d7. **48...Qb7+ 49.Kg1** Strongly threatening d7! **49...Re2 50.d7** Never resign too early! Weighted Error Value: White=0.59/Black=0.46

[50.Qxa3? Qg2#]

1-0

B85

□ **Lasker,Emanuel**

■ **Pirc,Vasja**

Moscow (19) 1935

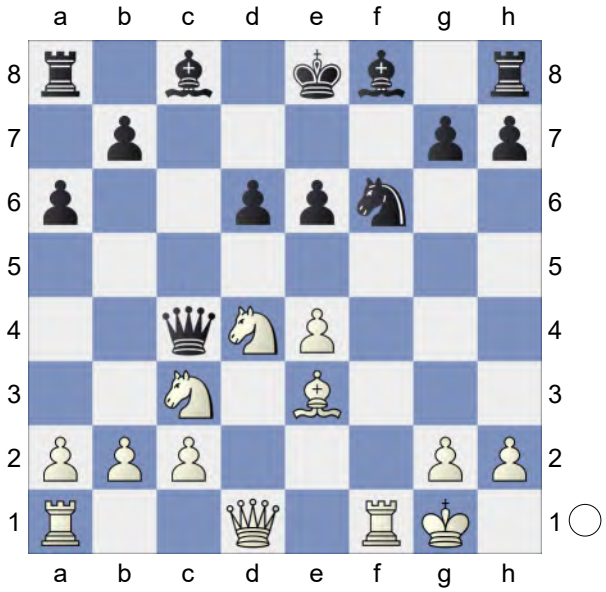
[Kitty Kat]

B84: Sicilian Scheveningen: 6 Be2 a6, lines without early Be3 **1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.Be2 e6 7.0-0 a6 8.Be3 Qc7 9.f4 Na5 10.f5** Hoping for fxe6. White is more active. **10...Nc4** 1.39/19

[10...Be7!± 0.52/20]

11.Bxc4± Qxc4 White is clearly better. **12.fxe6 fxe6?** 3.94/22

[12...Bxe6± 0.95/18 13.Nd5 Bxd5 14.exd5 0-0-0]



Black cannot hold the game after this. **13.Rxf6!+- gxf6** White is clearly winning. **14.Qh5+ Kd8 15.Qf7** And now Nxe6+! would win. **15...Bd7N**

[Reject 15...Be7 16.Nf5 Qc7 *(16...Re8 17.Nxd6 Bxd6 18.Bb6+ Bc7 19.Rd1+* 1-0 Posizione 190 Difesa Siciliana *)* 17.Na4+-]

16.Qxf6+ Kc7 17.Qxh8 Bh6 18.Nxe6+

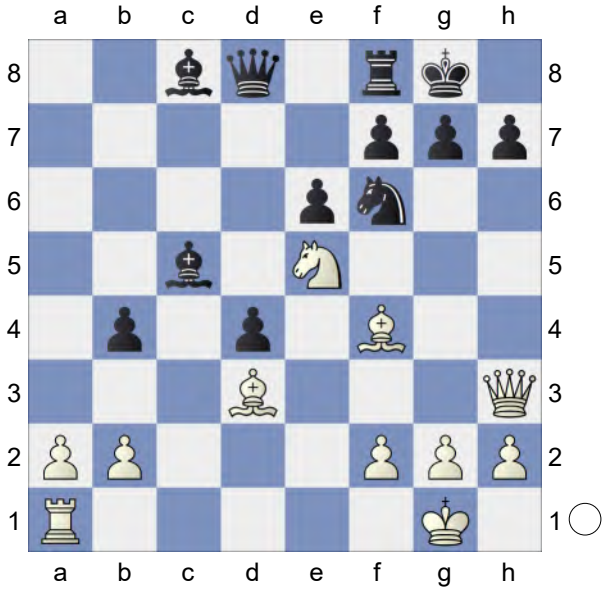
[18.Qxa8 Bxe3+ 19.Kh1 Bxd4=]

18...Qxe6 19.Qxa8 Bxe3+ 20.Kh1 Weighted Error Value: White=0.01 (flawless) /Black=0.69
1-0

D49

□ **Capablanca,Jose Raul**
■ **Levenfish,Grigory**
Moscow (19) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

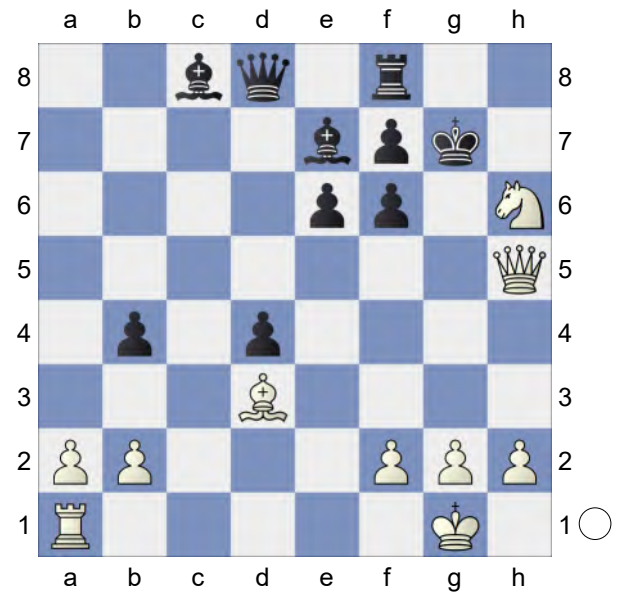
D49: Semi-Slav: Meran System: Main line with 9 e4 c5 10 e5 cxd4 11 Nxb5
1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.e3 e6 5.Nc3 Nbd7 6.Bd3 dxc4 7.Bxc4 b5 8.Bd3 a6 9.e4 c5 10.e5 cxd4 11.Nxb5 Nxe5 12.Nxe5 axb5 13.Qf3 Ra5N 0.73/20
[13...Qa5+= 0.22/20 14.Ke2 Be7]
[13...Bb4+ 14.Kd1 *(14.Ke2 Rb8 15.Qg3 Qd6 16.Nf3 Qxg3 17.hxg3 Bd6 18.Bf4 Bxf4 19.gxf4 Bd7 20.Nxd4 Ke7 21.Rac1 Rhc8* Chess Informant ECO Chess Informant ECO D4 Survey 2003*)* 14...Bd7 15.Nc6 Bxc6 16.Qxc6+ Ke7 17.Qxb5 Rb8 18.Qg5 h6 19.Qxg7 Qd5 20.Qg3 Rhg8 21.Qf3 Rxg2 22.Qxd5 Nxd5 23.Ke2 f5 24.Bxh6 Bd6 25.Kf3 Rxh2 26.Bg5+ Kd7 27.Rxh2 Bxh2 28.Rh1 0-1 Blackford,R (2480)-8. ♕xc4/ 10. ♗f4 ♘d5/ 13.,. (2565) Banjaluka 39/ 502 1985 (12)]
14.0-0± White has strong compensation. White has more active pieces. **14...b4**
15.Bf4 0.48/19
[15.Re1± 0.90/20]
15...Be7!± White is slightly better.
16.Rfc1 Strongly threatening Qc6+.
16...0-0 17.Qh3 -0.27/24
[17.Rxc8± 0.37/20 Qxc8 18.Nc6]
17...Rc5? 2.10/25 A mistake that costs the game.
[17...Bb7= -0.27/24 and Black stays safe.]
18.Rxc5→ White goes for the king.
18...Bxc5



19.Bg5! h6? 4.55/21
[19...h5± 1.60/20 20.Rc1 Bb6]
20.Ng4+- Be7 #7/16
[20...hxg5 21.Nxf6+ gxf6 22.Qh7#]
[20...Nxg4+- 4.42/19 21.Bxd8 Rxd8 22.Qxg4 Bb7]
21.Bxf6 7.10/19
[⌓21.Nxh6+ #7/16 gxh6 22.Bxf6 Bxf6 23.Qxh6 Re8 24.Bh7+ Kh8 25.Bg6+ Discovered Attack (Check) Kg8 26.Qh7+ Kf8 27.Qxf7#]
21...gxf6 22.Nxh6+
[Worse is 22.Qxh6 f5=]
22...Kg7 23.Qg4+ Kh8 24.Qh5 Kg7

(Diagram)

...f5 would now be deadly. **25.Nxf7!** Back Rank **25...Rh8** Wards off Qh7+
[25...f5 26.Nxd8]
26.Qg6+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.

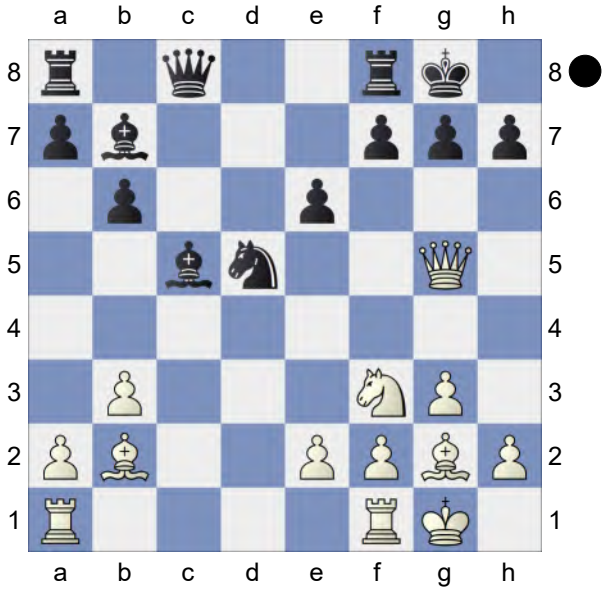


20 (precise) /Black=1.35
1-0

E15

□ **Chekhover,Vitaly**
■ **Lisitsin,Georgy**
Moscow (19) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

E16: Queen's Indian: 4 g3 Bb7 5 Bg2 Bb4+ **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 b6 4.g3 Bb7 5.Bg2 Qc8**
[5...Be7 6.0-0 0-0 7.b3 c5 8.Nc3 Ne4 9.Bb2 d6 10.Qc2 Nxc3 11.Bxc3 cxd4 12.Nxd4 Bxg2 13.Kxg2 Qc7 14.Qe4 Nd7 15.Nb5 Qb8 16.Qc6 Qc8 17.Qxc8 Rfxc8 18.Rad1 Rc6 19.Bb4 Nc5 20.Bxc5 1-0 12.Ne5 (2550)-Lucht,F (2465) Warszawa (rapid) 95/(228) 2005]
[5...c5 6.0-0 cxd4 7.Qxd4 Nc6 8.Qf4 Ne7 9.b3 Ng6 10.Qd2 Be7 11.Bb2 0-0 12.Nc3 Qb8 13.Rfd1 Rd8 14.Qc2 d5 15.cxd5 Nxd5 16.Nxd5 Rxd5 17.Rxd5 Bxd5 18.h4 h6 19.Rc1 Qb7 20.Qc7 Fargere,F URS-ch Soviet Union 1983]
6.0-0 c5 7.dxc5N 0.30/20
[Better is 7.d5± 0.76/20 exd5 8.cxd5 Bxd5 9.Bg5 Qb7 10.Bxf6 gxf6 11.Nc3 Bc6 12.Nh4 Bxg2 13.Nxg2 1 Chapter Part-Games Chapter Part 3 Game]
[7.b3 cxd4 8.Nxd4 Bxg2 9.Kxg2 d5 10.cxd5 Nxd5 11.Bb2 Be7 12.Nd2 0-0 13.Rc1 Qb7 14.N2f3 Na6 15.Nc6 Bc5 16.Nce5 Rad8 17.Qc2 Ndb4 18.Qb1 f6 19.a3 fxe5 20.axb4 Nxb4 21.Kg1 Nd3 0-1 Graf Juergen-7 0-0 Ngf6 8 Others 126/23 Albena 2015 (8)]
7...Bxc5= 8.b3 0-0 White is slightly better. **9.Bb2 d5 10.cxd5 Nxd5 11.Qc1 Nd7 12.Nc3 N7f6**
[12...Be7 simplifies 13.Nxd5 Bxd5 14.Qxc8 Rfxc8 15.Rac1 Nc5]
13.Nxd5 Nxd5 14.Qg5



f6 15.Qg4 Rf7 16.Rac1 Qe8 17.Nd4 f5 18.Qh3 Rd8 0.23/17
[18...Rf6∓ -0.31/20 19.Bf3 Rg6]
19.Nf3! Ng5 is the strong threat. **19...Nf6 20.Ne5 Bxg2 21.Qxg2 Rf8 22.Nd3 Bd6 23.Bxf6 Rxf6 24.Rc6** -0.31/19
[24.Rfd1= 0.12/21]
24...f4 0.78/19

[24...e5∓ -0.31/19 keeps the upper hand. 25.Rc2 e4]

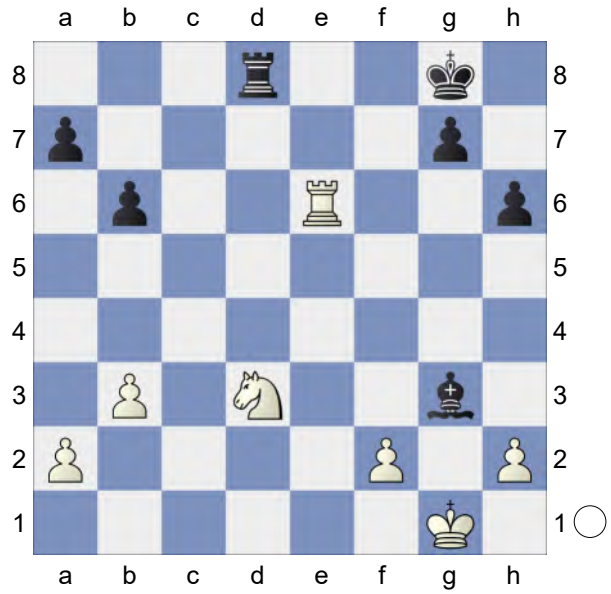
25.Rfc1 0.01/22

[25.Qe4± 0.78/19]

25...f3 26.Qf1

[Much weaker is 26.exf3 Ba3 *(26...Bxg3 27.hxg3 Rxd3 28.f4±)* 27.Ne5 *(27.R1c3? Rxd3 28.Qf1 Rxc3-+)* 27...Bxc1 28.Rxc1 Rc8∓]

26...Qh5 27.Rc8 Rff8 28.Rxd8 Rxd8 29.exf3 Qxf3 30.Re1 The position is equal. **30...Qd5 31.Qe2 h6 32.Qxe6+ Qxe6 33.Rxe6 Bxg3!**



Discovered Attack **34.hxg3 Rxd3** Endgame. KR-KR **35.Re7 a5 36.Re6 b5 37.Ra6 a4 38.bxa4 b4 39.Rb6 Ra3 40.Rxb4 Kh7 41.Kg2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.12 (very precise) / Black=0.13 (very precise)

½-½

D91

□ **Flohr,Salo**

■ **Alatortsev,Vladimir**

Moscow (19) 1935

[Kitty Kat]

D91: Grünfeld: 4 Nf3 Bg7 5 Bg5 **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Qb3 c6 5.Bg5 Bg7 6.e3 0-0 7.Nf3 Qa5N**

[7...dxc4 8.Bxc4 Nbd7 9.0-0 Nb6 10.Be2 Be6 11.Qc2 GraNfeld Defense-Grünfeld h6 12.Bh4 Bf5 13.e4 Bg4 14.Rad1 Nh5 15.h3 Be6 16.Rfe1 Stoyanov,Z-Mayer,F 5.Bc4 1994]

8.cxd5 Nxd5 9.Bc4 e6 10.0-0 Nxc3 11.bxc3 Re8 1.09/23

[⌓11...b6 0.72/21]

12.Bf4 Nd7 13.Bg3 0.54/19

[13.a4± 0.97/21]

13...b6!± 14.Nd2 Nf6 15.Be5 Ba6 16.Rfc1 Rad8 0.88/23

[16...Nd7± 0.47/22]

17.Qb4 0.41/22

[17.a4± 0.88/23]

17...Qxb4 18.cxb4 Bb7 19.a3 White is more active. **19...Nd7 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.Be2 e5 22.Nb3 Re6** 0.55/25

[22...exd4= 0.18/23 23.Nxd4 c5]

23.Bf3 Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) /Black=0.15 (very precise)

½-½

D05

□ **Kan,Ilia Abramovich**

■ **Stahlberg,Gideon**

Moscow (19) 1935

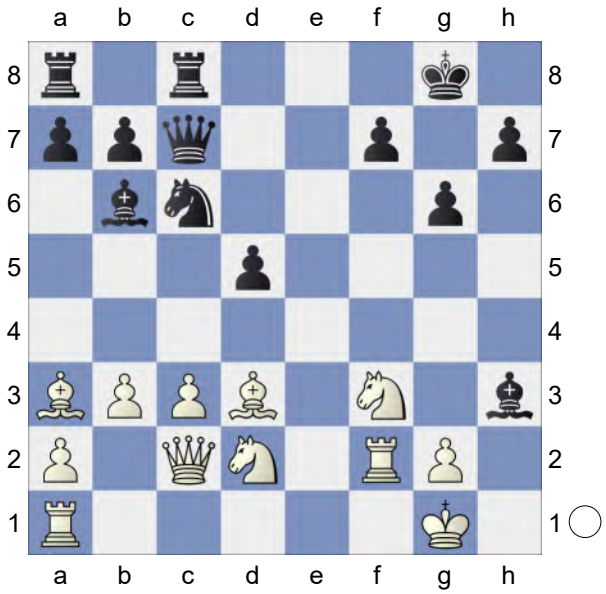
[Kitty Kat]

D05: Colle System with ...e6 **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 c5 4.dxc5 Bxc5**

5.Bd3 Nc6
[5...Nf6 6.Qe2 Nc6 7.Ngf3 Qc7 8.0-0 dxe4 9.Nxe4 Be7 10.Nxf6+ Bxf6 11.Qe4 Bd7 12.Bf4 Qb6 13.Rab1 Ne7 14.Ne5 Bc6 15.Nxc6 Qxc6 16.Qe2 0-0 17.c4 a5 18.Be4 Qa6 19.Rfd1 Rfd8 20.Rxd8+ ½-½ 4.e5 ♘e4 (2540)-Shchebeniuk,M (2565) 139/94 Gibraltar 2019 (4)]
6.Ngf3 Nf6 7.0-0 0-0 8.c3N
[8.Qe2 Qc7 *(8...h6 9.e5 Nd7 10.Nb3 Bb6 11.Bf4 f6 12.c4 fxe5 13.Nxe5 Rxf4 14.Nxc6 bxc6 15.Qxe6+ Kh8 16.Qxc6 Ba6 17.Qg6 Nf8 18.Qg3 Bc7 19.Rad1 Bxc4 20.Bxc4 Rxc4 21.Qf3 Qd6 22.g3 Rd8 23.Nd4* 0-1 Swapnil,S (2474)-9.dc5 ♗c5 10. ♗d3_67980 (2330) London 2009 (6.1)*)* 9.e5 Ng4 10.Nb3 Bb6 11.Bf4 f6 12.Rae1 C 07/07 1997]
[8.a3 e5 9.b4 Bb6 10.h3 Nd4 11.Bb2 dxe4 12.Nxe4 C 07/07-N,N 1997]
8...Bb6 0.33/23
[8...Qc7= -0.13/23]
9.Qc2 -0.09/23
[9.h3± 0.33/23 should be considered.]
9...Qc7 10.b3 Bd7 11.Ba3 The position is equal. **11...Rfc8 12.exd5**
[12.Rac1!?]
12...exd5 13.Ng5 -0.71/20
[13.Rae1= -0.27/24 feels stronger.]
13...g6∓ 14.Ngf3 Ng4 15.h3 Nxf2 0.25/21
[15...Nge5∓ -0.83/23 Strongly threatening ...Bxh3! 16.Nxe5 Nxe5]
16.Rxf2= Bxh3

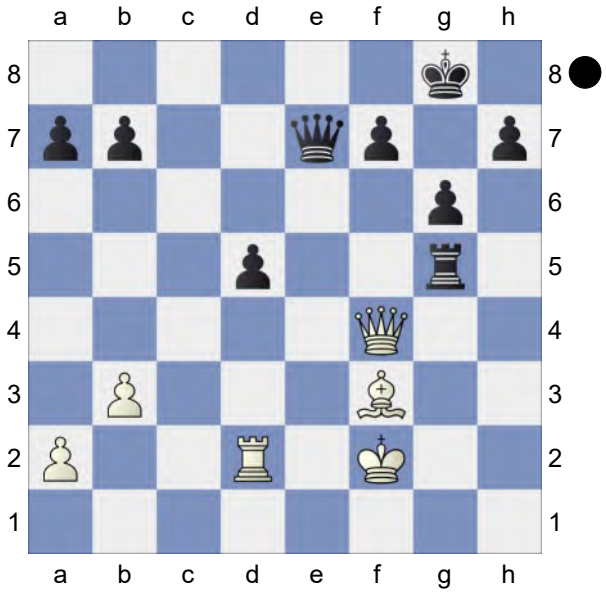
(Diagram)

17.Nf1 -0.52/24 Wards off Qg3



17...Bg4∓ 18.Rc1 -0.97/22 **Bxf3!∓ 19.gxf3 Qf4** -0.46/26
[19...Bxf2+ 20.Qxf2 Qa5 21.Bd6]
[19...Ne5!∓ -1.15/22 Threatens to win with ...Qd8! 20.Kg2 Bxf2 21.Kxf2 Qb6+ 22.Kg2 Nxd3 23.Qxd3 Qa5]
20.Kh1? -1.99/26 **Ne5 21.Rg2 Nxf3 22.Nh2 Nxh2 23.Rxh2 Qf3+ 24.Rg2 Bc7! 25.Bc5** -3.20/28
[⌓25.Bf1 -1.74/21]
25...Bf4? 0.08/19
[25...Be5-+ -3.20/28 26.b4 b6]
26.Rf1= Qh3+ 27.Kg1 With the idea Bxa7. Chess con chili. **27...Rxc5 28.Rxf4 Qe3+ 29.Rff2 Qe1+ 30.Rf1 Qxc3 31.Qf2 Rc7 32.Qf4 Re7 33.Rg3 Rae8 34.Kg2** Bb5 is the strong threat. **34...Qe5 35.Qh6 Qd4 36.Rff3** -1.92/23 Wards off Re3
[36.Rh3= 0.07/20 Qg7 37.Qf4]
36...Re1? -0.30/21
[Better is 36...Re2+!-+ -1.92/23 37.Kh3 *(37.Bxe2? Rxe2+ 38.Kh1 Re1+ 39.Kh2 Qa1-+)* 37...Qa1 *(37...Rxa2? 38.Bxg6* Demolition *hxg6 39.Rxg6+* Demolition *fxg6 40.Qxg6+ Qg7 41.Qxe8+ Kh7 42.Qh5+ Qh6 43.Rf7+* Deflection,

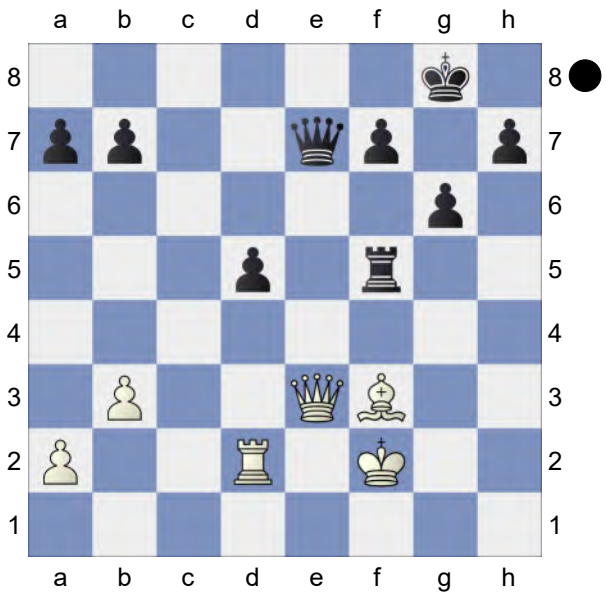
Double Attack *Kg8* *44.Qxh6+-)*
38.Bxe2 Qh1+ Skewer 39.Kg4 Re4+
(39...Qxh6? 40.Rh3-+) 40.Rf4 Qxh6
41.Rxe4 dxe4]
37.Rf2 R8e3 38.Rxe3 Rxe3 39.Be2
Prevents Qg4+ **39...Re5**
[39...Qe5 is more complex. 40.Bf3 d4
41.Rf1 g5]
40.Bf3 Qc5 41.Qf4 -0.76/21
[41.Kf1= -0.25/20 keeps the
balance.]
41...Qe7 -0.23/20
[41...Rf5!∓ -0.76/21 42.Qh6 d4]
42.Rd2 -1.38/23
[42.Kh2= -0.23/20]
42...Rg5+∓ 43.Kf2



Rf5! 44.Qe3 -1.77/18
[44.Qb8+∓ -1.29/19 Kg7 45.Qxa7
(45.Rxd5? Rxd5 Remove Defender
46.Bxd5 Qc5+ 47.Kf1 Qxd5-+)]

(Diagram)

44...Qh4+? -0.12/23
[44...Qf6!-+ -1.77/18 aiming for ...d4!
45.Rd1 h5]
45.Ke2 Qh2+ 46.Kd3! Qc7 47.Rc2



Prevents d4 **47...Qd7**
[47...Qd6 with more complications.
48.Rc8+ Kg7 49.Qd4+ f6]
48.a4 h5 Inhibits Bg4. **49.Bg2**
Bh3! would now be deadly. **49...Qd6**
50.Rd2 -0.96/21
[50.Qc5= -0.17/22 Qa6+ 51.Kc3]
50...Rf4 0.18/22
[50...b6∓ -0.96/21]
51.Qxa7= Rg4? 1.87/25
[51...Rb4= 0.21/24 and Black has
nothing to worry. 52.Kc2 Qc7+
53.Kb2 d4]
52.Kc2 0.51/21
[52.Qxb7+- 1.87/25 Rg3+ 53.Kc2
Qc5+ 54.Kb2 Qc3+ 55.Kb1]
52...d4± 53.Qxb7 Qc5+ 2.17/25
[53...d3+± 0.74/18 54.Kb2 *(54.Rxd3*
Qc5+ 55.Kb2 Qf2+ 56.Ka3 Rxg2∓)
54...Qe5+ 55.Ka2 Qe1]
54.Kb1+- Qe5 55.Rd1 0.67/20
Dodges Qe1
[55.Ka2+- 2.06/19]
55...Rf4 2.13/23
[55...Qf5+± 0.67/20 56.Ka1 Qc2]
56.Qb5 Qf6 57.Qd3 h4 58.Rf1 g5?
5.31/21
[58...Rxf1+± 1.57/19 59.Qxf1

(59.Bxf1 Qf2±) 59...Qg5]
59.Rxf4 Qxf4 5.58/19
[59...gxf4 3.78/21 was called for. 60.Bd5 Qg5]
60.a5 White is clearly winning. **60...Qe5 61.a6** Hoping for a7. **61...Qe1+ 62.Kb2 Qf2+ 63.Qc2 Qf6 64.Qc6 Qe5 65.Qa8+ Kg7 66.Qe4 Qc5 67.Qc2** Against Qc3+ **67...Qb6 68.Qf5 Qxa6** And now ...Qe2+ would win. **69.Qxg5+ Kf8 70.Qd8+**
[70.Qxh4 Qe2+ 71.Ka3 Qxg2±]
70...Kg7 71.Qxd4+
[71.Qxh4 Qe2+ 72.Ka3 Qxg2=]
71...f6 12.74/21
[⌓71...Kg8 4.90/21 72.Qg4+ *(72.Qxh4 Qe2+ 73.Ka3 Qxg2=)* 72...Kf8]
72.Qg4+
[Not 72.Qxh4 Qe2+ 73.Kc3 Qxg2=]
72...Kf8 73.Qb4+ Both players deserved the win here. Weighted Error Value: White=0.36/Black=0.43
[And not 73.Qxh4 Qe2+ 74.Kc1 Qe3+ 75.Kc2 Qe2+ 76.Kc3 Qxg2=]
1-0

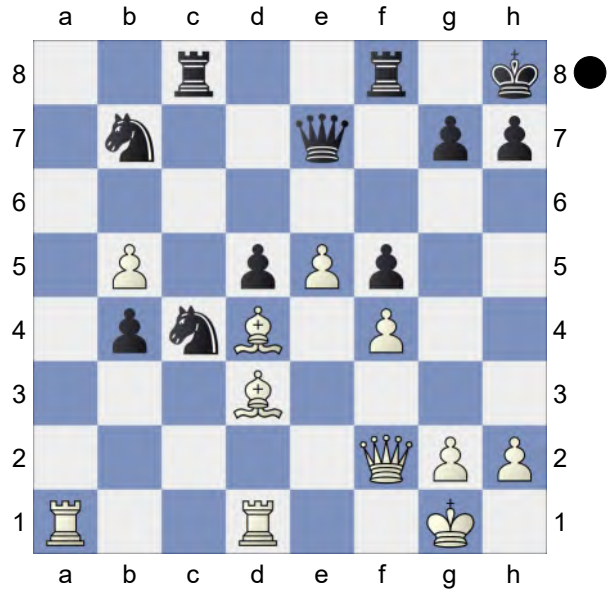
C16

□ **Bohatirchuk,Fedor Parfenovich**
■ **Ragozin,Viacheslav**
Moscow (19) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

C16: French: 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 e5: Lines without ...c5 **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e5 f5**
[4...Ne7 5.a3 Bxc3+ 6.bxc3 c5 7.a4 Nbc6 8.Nf3 Qa5 9.Bd2 Bd7 10.Bb5 Qc7 11.0-0 0-0 12.Re1 h6 13.Bf4 Ng6 14.Bg3 Nce7 15.Bd3 c4 16.Bxg6 fxg6 17.h4 Rf7 18.Qb1 Kh7 19.Qb4 0-1 Landschaft,S (2600)-8.Qe2 Bb4 9.0-0-0 (2530) BRA corr 1985]
5.Bd2N
[5.a3 Bxc3+ 6.bxc3 Ne7 7.Nf3 0-0 8.c4 c6 9.Bd3 Nd7 10.cxd5 Nxd5 11.c4 Ne7 12.0-0 a6 13.Ng5 Nb6 14.Be3 Bd7 15.Rb1 Rb8 16.d5 cxd5 17.Bxb6 Qxb6 18.Rxb6 1-0 9.h5 ♗h7 10.♗d3 ♗d3-Hecht,C 29/292 Skara 1980 (2)]
5...Ne7 6.a3 1.06/20
[⌓6.Qh5+ 1.59/19 Ng6 7.Nf3]
6...Bxc3± 7.Bxc3 0-0 8.f4 White is better. **8...b6 9.Nf3 c5** 0.78/19
[9...Ba6± 0.40/23 feels stronger.]
10.Bd3 0.28/18
[10.b4± 0.78/19]
10...Nbc6 0.73/19
[10...Ba6= 0.28/18]
11.0-0 cxd4 1.21/20
[11...a5± 0.38/19]
12.Bxd4
[Much less strong is 12.Nxd4 Nxd4 13.Bxd4 Bb7]
12...Bd7 13.Be3 Rc8 14.Qe2 0.88/20
[⌓14.b4 1.29/21]
14...Na5 1.61/20
[14...Be8± 0.88/20]
15.Nd4 1.21/25
[15.h3+- 1.61/20]
15...Nec6 16.Nb5 Nb7 17.b4 White is much more active. **17...Qe7** 2.05/20
[17...a6± 1.55/17]
18.Rfd1 Kh8 1.93/20
[18...h6± 1.55/17 might work better. 19.c4 Qf7]
19.c4+- a5 Black is weak on the dark squares **20.cxd5 exd5 21.Bxb6 axb4 22.a4** 1.48/20
[Better is 22.Nc7+- 1.95/20]
22...Nca5± 23.Qf2 1.33/21
[23.Nd4+- 1.71/21 e6 is the strong

threat. Nc4 24.Bxc4 *(24.a5 Nc5±)* 24...dxc4 25.e6]

23...Nc4 24.Bd4 Bxb5 25.axb5



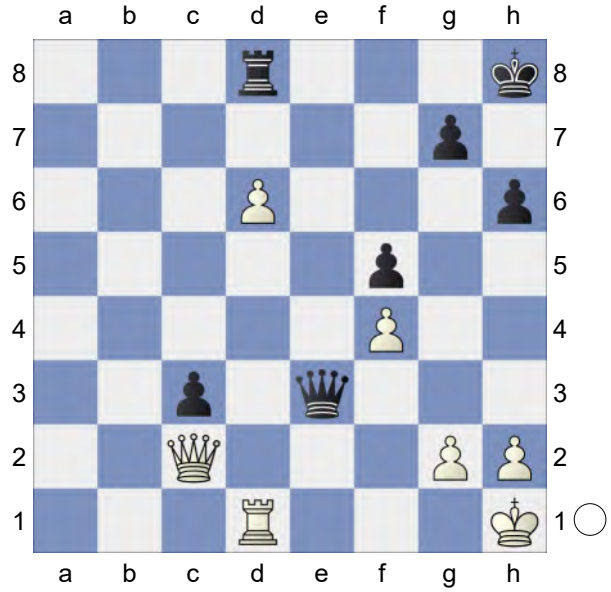
And now Ra7 would win. **25...Nc5 26.Rab1** -0.07/19

[26.h3± 1.11/19]

26...Nxd3= The position is equal.

27.Rxd3 Threatens to win with Ra1.

27...Na3 28.Rbd1 Nxb5 29.Bb2 Nc3 30.Bxc3 bxc3 31.Rxd5 Rfd8 32.Rd6 h6 33.Qc2 Rxd6 34.exd6 Qe3+ 35.Kh1 Rd8



Hoping for ...Rxd6! **36.h3** Black defended with fortune. Weighted Error Value: White=0.23 (precise) / Black=0.15 (very precise)

½-½

D62

□ **Lilienthal,Andor**

■ **Goglidze,Victor Arsentievich**

Moscow (19) 1935

[Kitty Kat]

D62: Queen's Gambit Declined: Classical: 7 Qc2 c5 8 cxd5 **1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Be7 5.e3 0-0 6.Nf3 Nbd7 7.Qc2 c5 8.cxd5 cxd4 9.Nxd4 Nxd5 10.Bxe7 Nxe7 11.Bd3**

[11.Be2 Nf6 12.0-0 Bd7 13.Rfd1 Qb6 14.Qb3 Qxb3 15.Nxb3 b6 16.Rac1 Rfd8 17.Ba6 Kf8 18.e4 Rab8 19.f3 Ne8 20.Kf2 Nc7 21.Be2 e5 22.Na1 Bc6 23.Nc2 a5 24.Ne3 f6 25.Bc4 Be8 1-0 Peltais,A (2661)-10. ♘f3 b5 11. ♗f6 (2594) Golombek Memorial Paignton 2000 (2)]

11...Ng6N

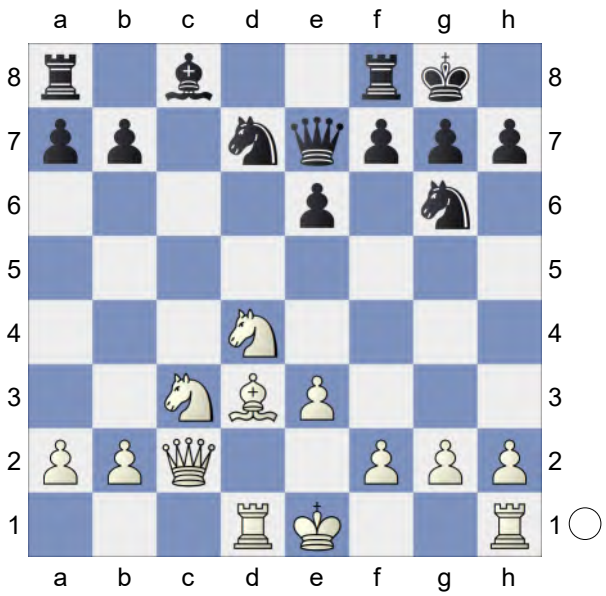
[11...Nf6 12.0-0 *(12.0-0-0 Qb6 13.g4 e5 14.g5 exd4 15.gxf6 Qxf6 16.exd4 Bg4* Przewlocka,A (2350)-Burt,G (2390) Potter-mem corres 1974 *)* 12...Bd7 13.Rfd1 Qb6 14.Rac1 Rac8 15.Qb3 Qxb3 16.Nxb3 b6 17.Nd4 Nfd5 18.Nxd5 Nxd5 19.Be4 Nf6 20.Bb7 Rxc1 21.Rxc1 Rd8 D 62/01 2003]

12.Rd1 Qe7

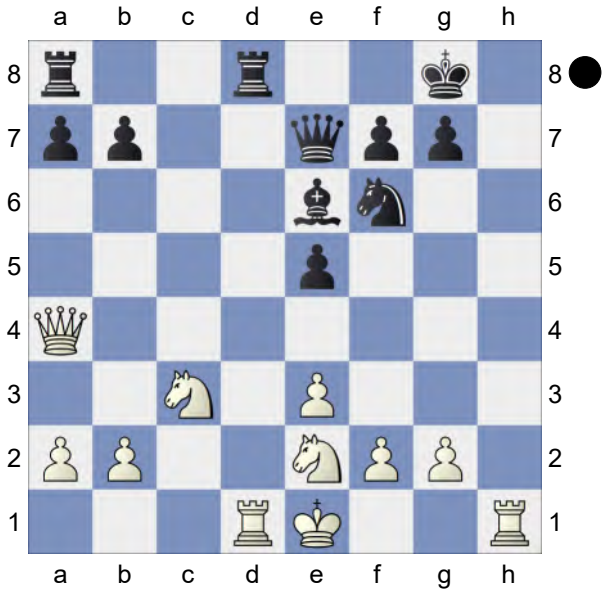
(Diagram)

13.h4! Rd8 White is slightly better.

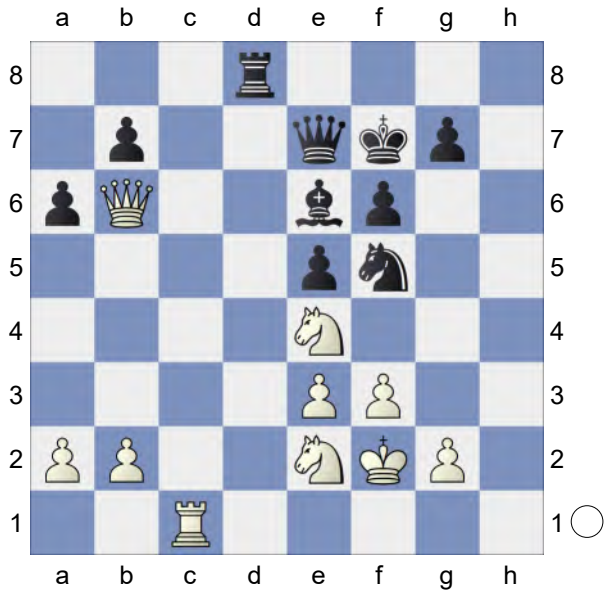
[13...Nf6 14.Nf3]



14.Bxg6 0.20/19
[14.h5± 0.78/20 Nge5 15.Bxh7+ Kh8 16.Be4]
14...hxg6= 15.h5 -0.14/21
[⌓15.Qd2 0.22/22]
15...gxh5 16.Rxh5 Nf6 Inhibits Qh7+.
17.Rh1 e5 18.Nde2 Be6 Against Nd5
[18...Rxd1+ simplifies 19.Qxd1 Be6 20.f3 b5]
19.Qa4 -1.03/23
[19.Rxd8+= -0.21/21 Qxd8 *(19...Rxd8 20.a3∓)* 20.f3]



19...Rxd1+ -0.36/18
[Black should try 19...Ng4!∓ -1.03/23 20.Ng3 f5]
20.Nxd1∓ Qd7 21.Qh4 Kf8! 22.Qb4+ Kg8 23.Qh4 Wards off Rd8 **23...Kf8!** aiming for ...Rd8! **24.Ndc3 Rd8** (→ ...Qd2+) **25.f3 Ng8 26.Kf2** Threatens to win with Rd1. **26...Qe7 27.Qa4 a6 28.Qa5 f6 29.Rc1 Kf7 30.Ne4 Nh6 31.Qb6** Strongly threatening Rc7. **31...Nf5** 0.93/21
[31...Bd5= 0.04/22 keeps the balance.]



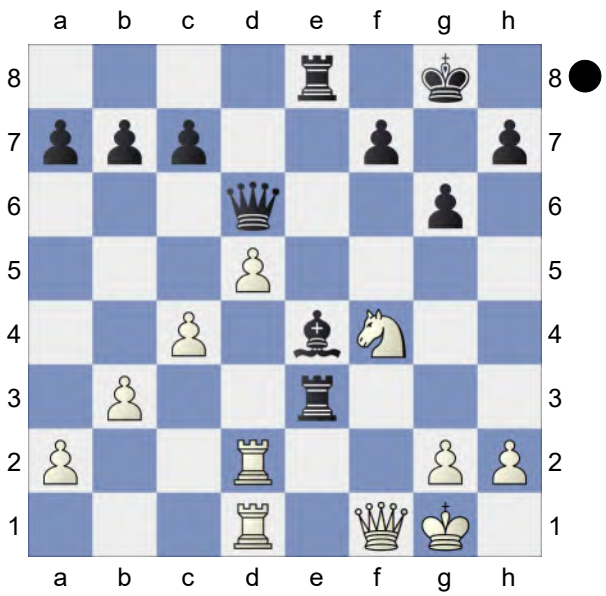
32.Rc7!± Pin. White is more active.
32...Rd7 33.Rxd7 Qxd7 34.g4 0.01/21
[34.Nc5± 1.12/19 Qc6 35.Qxc6 *(35.Qxb7+ Qxb7 36.Nxb7 Bxa2±)* 35...bxc6 36.e4 *(36.Nxa6 Bxa2 37.Nb4 Bb3±)*]
34...Ne7= The position is equal.
35.Nd6+ Kg6! 36.Nxb7 Hoping for Nc5. A dynamic duo of knights. **36...Nd5 37.Qxa6** Nc5 is the strong threat.
37...Nb4 38.Qd6 Nd3+ 39.Kg3 b3! would now be deadly. **39...Qxd6! 40.Nxd6** And now b3 would win.
40...Bxa2 41.f4 Nxb2 Weighted Error

Value: White=0.15 (very precise) / Black=0.14 (very precise)
½-½

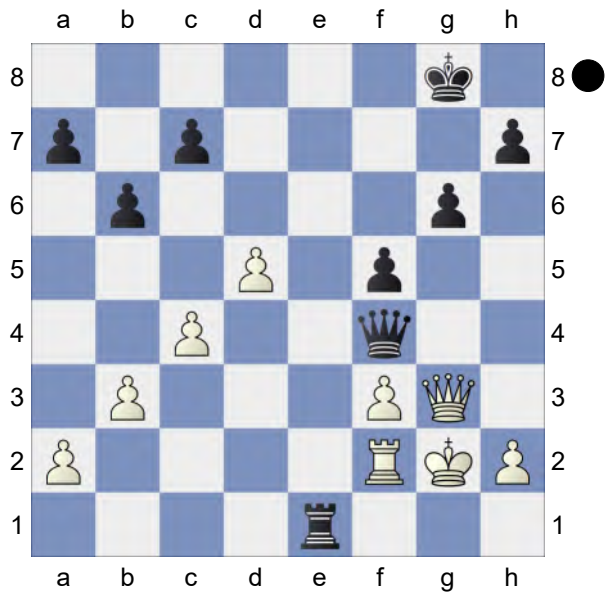
A02

□ **Menchik,Vera**
■ **Romanovsky,Peter Arsenievich**
Moscow (19) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

A02: Bird's Opening **1.e3 d6 2.b3 Nf6 3.Bb2 g6 4.f4 Bg7 5.Nf3 0-0 6.Be2 Nc6 7.Qc1 e5 8.0-0** -1.30/23
[8.fxe5∓ -0.57/26 dxe5 9.0-0]
8...exf4∓ Black is better. **9.exf4 Re8 10.Nc3** -1.72/20
[10.Bb5∓ -1.29/21]
10...d5 -0.73/23
[10...Nh5-+ -1.72/20 11.Bb5 Nxf4]
11.Bb5 Bd7 12.Bxc6 -0.95/22
[12.Nd1!∓ -0.54/23]
12...Bxc6
[12...bxc6 13.d4∓]
13.Ne5 -1.69/18
[13.Nd1∓ -0.90/19]
13...d4-+ 14.Ne2 -2.02/19
[14.Nxc6∓ -1.57/23 might work better. bxc6 15.Nb1]
14...Ng4
[14...Qd5 15.Rf3∓]
15.Bxd4 -2.97/24
[⩲15.Nxg4 -2.03/21 Rxe2 16.Rf2 Rxf2 17.Nxf2]
15...Qd5
[Resist 15...Bxe5 16.fxe5 Qd5 17.Rf3 Nxe5 18.Bxe5 Qxe5 *(18...Rxe5 19.Rf2∓)* 19.Rf2-+]
16.Rf3 Nxe5
[Don't do 16...Bxe5 17.fxe5 Nxe5 18.Bxe5 Qxe5 *(18...Rxe5 19.Rf2∓)* 19.Rf2-+]
17.fxe5 Bxe5 18.Bxe5 Rxe5 -1.40/23
[Black should play 18...Qxe5-+ -2.79/26 19.Rf2 Qxe2 20.Rxe2 Rxe2]
19.Rf2 Rae8 Black has more active pieces. **20.Nf4 Qd7** -0.46/22
[20...Qd6∓ -1.24/18 White must now prevent ...Rf5. 21.Qf1 a5]
21.Qf1 -0.82/22
[21.c3∓ -0.46/22 feels stronger.]
21...Re4↑ Black has strong initiative.
22.Rd1 Bb5 -0.37/26
[Better is 22...Qd6∓ -0.91/20 ...Qc5 is the strong threat. 23.c3 h5]
23.d3 Re3 24.c4 Bc6 25.d4 Be4 26.d5 -0.36/24
[26.Re2= 0.00/20 Rxe2 27.Nxe2]
26...Qd6 27.Rfd2? -3.44/20
[27.Re2= -0.16/21 Bf5 28.h3]



27...Bf3!-+ 28.gxf3 Qxf4 29.Rf2 b6 30.Kh1 R8e5 31.Qh3 f5? -0.87/21 Prevents Qg4
[31...Kg7-+ -3.36/20 and Black stays clearly on top. Hoping for ...Qf6. 32.Rdf1 h5]
32.Qg3∓ Re1+ 33.Rxe1?? -6.79/27
[33.Rf1∓ -0.75/17 Qxg3 34.hxg3]
33...Rxe1+-+ 34.Kg2



Qc1 And now ...Rg1+ would win. **35.Qxc7 Rg1+** Weighted Error Value: White=0.72/Black=0.38
0-1

D79

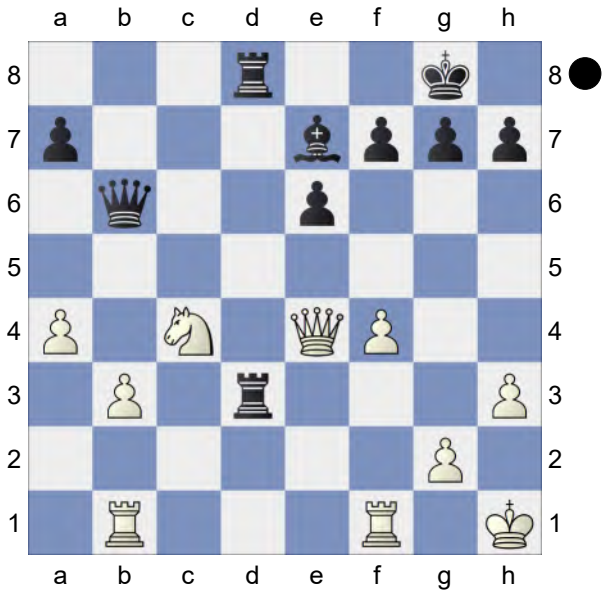
☐ **Rabinovich,Ilya Leontievich**
■ **Botvinnik,Mikhail**
Moscow (19) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

D79: Fianchetto Grünfeld: Symmetrical Variation (6 0-0 c6 7 cxd5 cxd5) **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.g3 c6 4.Bg2 d5 5.cxd5N**
[5.Qa4 Bg7 6.cxd5 Nxd5 7.Nf3 0-0 8.0-0 Nb6 *(8...Bg4 9.Rd1 Nb6 10.Qc2 Qc8 11.Bg5 Re8 12.Nc3 Bh3 13.e4 Bxg2 14.Kxg2 N8d7 15.Rac1 e5 16.d5 h6 17.Be3 cxd5 18.Nxd5 Qxc2 19.Rxc2 Nxd5 20.exd5 Rac8 21.Rdc1 Rxc2 22.Rxc2 e4 23.Nd2* ½-½ Zvjaginsev,V (2683)-Grachev,B (2705) RUS-chT 19th Sochi 2012 (7)*)* 9.Qc2 Na6 *(9...Bf5 10.e4 Bg4 11.Ne5 Be6 12.Rd1 N8d7 13.Nf3 Bg4 14.Nc3 e5 15.dxe5 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Qe7 17.Bg2 Nxe5 18.h3 Rad8 19.Bf4 g5 20.Be3 Nec4 21.Bc1 Rxd1+ 22.Nxd1 Rd8 23.Ne3 Nxe3 24.Bxe3* 1-0 Mamedyarov,S (2738)-Arat,U (2389) Titled Tuesday intern op 16th May Early Chess.com INT blitz 2023 (1) *)* 10.Bg5 Be6 11.Nc3 h6 12.Bf4 Nd5 13.Bd2 c5 14.Nxd5 Qxd5 15.Bc3 Nb4 16.Bxb4 cxb4 17.e3 Bf5 18.Qb3 Be4 19.Rfc1 Rac8 ½-½ Balmiza Jimenez,F (2333)-8.de5 ♗b6 9.♘bd2 ♘a5_75 (2334) corr 92/203 2004 (4.1)]
5...cxd5 6.Nf3 Bg7 7.0-0 0-0 8.Nc3 Ne4 9.Qb3 Nxc3 10.bxc3 Nc6 11.Nd2 e6! 12.Ba3 Re8 13.e4 Na5 The position is equal. **14.Qc2 b6** 0.42/21
[14...dxe4= 0.01/22 15.Nxe4 Nc4]
15.Rfe1 -0.07/22
[15.e5!± 0.42/21 should be considered.]
15...Bb7 0.51/19
[15...dxe4!= -0.07/22 16.Nxe4 Bb7]
16.Rad1 -0.40/22
[16.e5!± 0.51/19]
16...Rc8 0.35/19
[Black should try 16...dxe4!∓ -0.40/22 17.Nxe4 Nc4]
17.e5± Qd7 18.Bf1 Bc6 19.Rb1 Ba4 20.Qd3 Bc6 21.Qe3 White is more active. **21...Bb7 22.Bb5 Bc6 23.Ba6 Bb7 24.Bb5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.21 (precise) /Black=0.23 (precise)
½-½

C15

□ **Spielmann,Rudolf**
■ **Riumin,Nikolay Nikolaevich**
Moscow (19) 1935
[Kitty Kat]

C15: French: 3 Nc3 Bb4: Unusual White 4th moves **1.d4 e6 2.e4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Nge2 dxe4 5.a3 Be7 6.Nxe4 Nc6 7.Be3 Nf6 8.N2c3** 0.01/21
[8.Qd3± 0.51/21]
8...0-0= And now ...Nxe4 would win.
9.Ng3 -0.25/22
[⌓9.h4! 0.18/21]
9...b6
[9...Nd5 10.Nxd5 exd5 *(10...Qxd5 11.c4 Qd8 12.Qd2 b6 13.Rd1 e5 14.d5 Na5 15.b4 Nb7 16.Qc2 a5 17.Bd3 axb4 18.Bxh7+ Kh8 19.Bd3 Rxa3 20.Qe2 g6 21.h4 f5 22.Bc1 e4 23.Bxa3 bxa3 24.Bb1 Nd6 25.Qd2* 0-1 Zakhartsov,V-Litko 73/(570) Russia 1998 (6)) 11.Bd3 f5 12.Ne2 Bg5 13.Bxg5 Qxg5 14.g3 f4 15.Qd2 Bg4 16.0-0-0 Qf6 17.c3 Na5 18.Qc2 Qh6 19.Kb1 Bf3 20.Rhg1 fxg3 21.hxg3 Nc4 22.Rde1 Be4 23.Nf4 Qb6 24.Ka2 ½-½ Barea Garcia,L (2495)-8. ♕e2 ♗b4 9.0-0-0 (2540) 43/58 Sarajevo 1987 (10)]
10.Be2 Bb7 Black has an edge. **11.0-0 Qd7 12.f4N** -1.03/22
[12.Qd2∓ -0.42/19 Rad8 13.Rfd1 Qc8 14.Qe1 e5 15.d5 Nd4 16.Bxd4 exd4 17.Rxd4 c5 18.Ra4 Nxd5 19.Bg4 Qc7 20.Rxa7 Nxc3 21.bxc3 Ra8 22.Rxb7 Qxb7 23.Bf3 Qd7 24.Bxa8 Rxa8 25.Qe4 Ra4 26.Qe2 Bf8 27.h3 ½-½ Schmidt,G-Grotnes,N Baltic Sea tt6 bd10 corr 1992 (5)]
12...Rad8 13.Bf3 Qc8 ...Nxd4! would now be deadly. **14.Nce2 Na5 15.Bxb7 Qxb7 16.Qc1** -1.57/20
[⌓16.Qd3 -1.02/19]
16...Nc4∓ 17.Bf2 c5 -1.39/20
[17...h5-+ -1.78/19 18.h4 Nd6]
18.b3 Na5 -0.81/20
[⌓18...Nd6! -1.33/24 Hoping for ...h5. 19.dxc5 Nde4]
19.dxc5 bxc5
[Much weaker is 19...Bxc5 20.h3=]
20.Rb1 -1.21/19
[Better is 20.f5∓ -0.63/19]
20...Qc7 0.00/18
[20...h5!∓ -1.21/19 ...h4 is the strong threat. 21.h4 Nc6]
21.Nc3 -0.70/21
[21.f5= 0.00/18]
21...Ng4 22.Be1 Rd7 -0.12/23
[22...Nc6∓ -0.64/20]
23.h3 Nf6 24.Nce4 Rfd8 25.Bc3 -0.59/19
[25.Nxf6+= -0.10/21 Bxf6 26.f5]
25...Nxe4!∓ 26.Nxe4 Nc6 27.Qe1! Rd5 28.a4 -0.97/20
[28.Nd2!∓ -0.43/19]
28...Qb7 -0.52/19
[28...R8d7∓ -0.97/20]
29.Nd2 Nd4 30.Bxd4 cxd4 31.Qe4 d3 32.cxd3 Qb6+ 33.Kh1 Rxd3 34.Nc4



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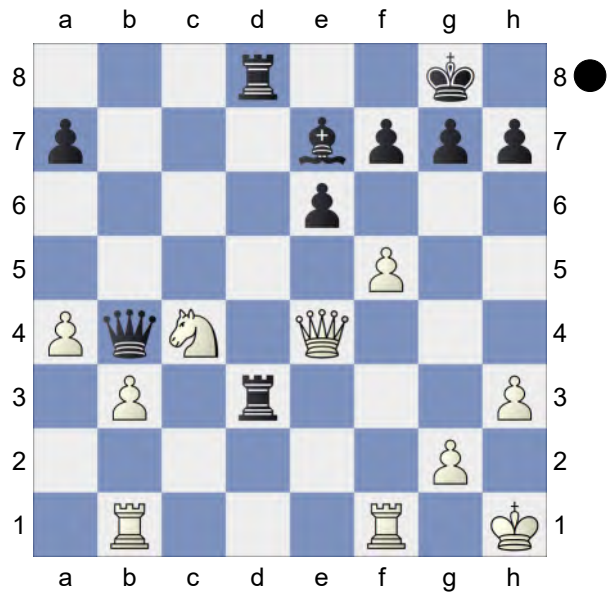

exf5 -0.46/26
[Don't play 35...Rxb3?! 36.Rxb3 Qxb3 37.fxe6=]
[35...e5!∓ -1.13/23 36.Qxe5 Bf8 *(36...Rxb3? 37.Rxb3 Qxc4 38.Rfb1+-)*]
36.Qxf5 Black must now prevent Ne5.
36...Bf6 Weighted Error Value: White=0.23 (precise) /Black=0.19 (very precise)
[36...Rxb3? too greedy. 37.Qxf7+ Kh8 38.Rxb3 Overworked Piece Qxb3 39.Qxe7+-]
½-½